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Arizona Revised Statute § 8-526, as amended by Laws 2011, Chapter 147 requires the Arizona Department of Economic Security (DES) to compile information and produce a semi-annual report for the periods ending on March 31st and September 30th of each year regarding Child Welfare Services, including Child Protective Services (CPS). This report, submitted in satisfaction of that mandate, is for the semi-annual reporting period beginning on October 1, 2012 and ending on March 31, 2013.

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## Executive Summary

The Arizona Department of Economic Security's Division of Children, Youth and Families (Division) is pleased to publish this semi-annual report for October 2012 through March 2013 in compliance with A.R.S. § 8-526. This report is intended to provide its readers an opportunity to review the impact of the Division's process improvements in relation to key performance indicators.

The Division has continuously pursued strategies to achieve improved outcomes for children and families. Many of these strategies have been highlighted in other Division publications. More recent strategies include the establishment of the Office of Child Welfare Investigations, a comprehensive review and streamlining of the investigation process and documentation requirements, a reduction in the amount of paperwork our investigative and on-going caseworkers must complete by eliminating redundancies, implementing technology tools, decreased phone wait times at the CPS Hotline, improvements to the CPS Specialist hiring process, and active recruitment of family foster homes.

The data contained within this Semi-Annual Report helps to demonstrate the impact of implemented process improvements and highlights areas of progress. At the same time, the report assists with identifying where continued focus is needed by the Division, stakeholders, policy makers and advocacy groups. By working collaboratively to address the needs of children and to prevent child abuse, additional targeted resources and/or strategies that are put in place to improve outcomes for children will be implemented in a more coordinated and timely manner.

### **Child Abuse Hotline and Child Protective Services (CPS) Investigations**

The statewide Child Abuse Hotline received 32,300 calls during this reporting period. Of the total calls received, 10,139 (31.4 percent) *did not meet* the statutory criteria for a CPS report. Calls that did not meet the criteria for a CPS report included: requests for information or referrals for services; questions about current cases; and allegations of abuse or neglect where the alleged perpetrator was not the child's parent, guardian or custodian (those calls are referred to law enforcement for response). Every call that does not meet the criteria for a CPS report is reviewed within 48 hours by quality assurance staff to ensure the accuracy of that decision.

Of the 22,161 reports that met the statutory criteria for a CPS report, 305 reports (1.4 percent) were referred to other jurisdictions, the military or tribal governments for investigation and 1,603 (7.2 percent) were responded to through an in-depth alternative assessment conducted by the Social Work Assessment Team. Prior to an alternative assessment, the child's and family's circumstance are determined to meet one or more of the following criteria: no current safety threat indicated; the perpetrator had no current access to the child(ren) victim; child(ren) were visible in the community; and prior history on the child and family did not indicate a current safety concern to the child(ren).

The 20,253 (91.4 percent) remaining reports were assigned to child welfare specialists for investigation. Compared to the same reporting period last year, this represents an increase of 979 (5.9 percent) CPS reports assigned for investigation.

Of the 20,253 CPS reports assigned for investigation during this reporting period, 10,923 (53.9 percent) had investigation closures entered into the Children's Information Library and Data Source (CHILDS) statewide case management information system. Closing an investigation means that the initial investigation of the original allegations of abuse or neglect has been completed and the appropriate case plan is put in place, as needed. Many factors can impact the closure of an investigation, including time needed for the child welfare specialists to obtain all information required to complete an accurate and thorough assessment.

Of the 20,253 CPS reports subject to substantiation during this reporting period, 1,267 (6.3 percent) were substantiated. An additional 1,061 (5.2 percent) were proposed for substantiation by child welfare specialists and are currently awaiting the results of the appeals process. Over time, the number of substantiated and proposed substantiated CPS reports associated with this time period will increase as investigation findings are entered into CHILDS. It is sometimes difficult to substantiate allegations of abuse or neglect because current state laws that define child maltreatment do not include many situations related to child neglect or sexual abuse.

### **Children in Out-of-Home Care**

The Division remains committed to working with the community to keep children safe, strengthen families, and prevent the need for children to be removed from their homes. Notwithstanding this commitment, the number of children in out-of-home care increased from 14,111 in the prior reporting period to 14,314 in March 2013. This significant increase which began at the end of state fiscal year (FY) 2011 is directly attributable to the dramatic increase in the number of reports to the CPS Hotline. The proportion of reports ultimately resulting in removal and placement in out-of-home care has remained consistent at approximately one quarter of the reports.

Of the children in out-of-home care, the Division continues its success in placing children in the most family-like setting possible. In March 2013, 11,609 children – or approximately 81.0 percent of all children in out-of-home care – were placed with relatives or licensed foster parents. An additional 24 children were placed with their parents on a trial home visit and 281 youth were residing in independent living settings. Efforts to increase the number of licensed foster parents who are able to meet the needs of children requiring out-of-home placement resulted in 722 new homes being licensed during this reporting period.

The state requires that CPS conduct monthly face-to-face visitation with children in foster care. The current report shows that 84.5 percent of the children in foster care received their visitation during the last month of the current reporting period ending March 2013. This compares to 73.7 percent receiving their visit during the last month of the prior reporting period ending September 2012. The Division recognizes there is a strong correlation between consistent and timely visitation and positive outcomes for children who have been removed from their home. Regular parent-child visitation, along with CPS Specialists' visits with the child, are both associated with achieving permanency and other indicators of child well-being. The Division continues to make efforts to improve its rate of visitation.

### **Permanency for Children**

The Division continues to work toward achieving permanency for children placed in out-of-home care. The total number of children achieving permanency through family reunification, adoption or legal guardianship was 4,145 this reporting period, compared to 3,923 the same reporting period last year.

Compared to the same reporting period last year, in this reporting period:

- 2,534 children exited the system to family reunification, an increase of 482 children – or 23.4 percent.
- 1,270 children exited to adoption, an increase of 245 children – or 23.9 percent.
- 341 children exited to guardianship, an increase of 51 children – or 17.6 percent.

**Challenges**

The Division continues to face challenges in its efforts to ensure safety and promote permanency for abused or neglected children. Some of the challenges the Division has faced in meeting these goals are:

- An insufficient level of funding for prevention activities.
- Increase in the number of Child Abuse Hotline reports, particularly in the urban counties.
- Increased number of children in out-of-home care.
- A high prevalence of substance abuse in clients which exacerbates client problems.
- Recruitment of foster and adoptive homes for older youth ages 12 to 18 years old.
- Retention of child protective services specialists and supervisors.
- Contending with a high workload for field staff.

Despite these challenges, the Division has implemented and will continue to implement process improvements to ensure child welfare staff have the tools they need to do their jobs effectively. The Division continues to work in partnership with the federal government to meet the federal Child and Family Service Review (CFSR) standards to improve outcomes for the children and families it serves.

## Semi-Annual Comparisons

	Apr 2009 through Sep 2009	Oct 2009 through Mar 2010	Apr 2010 through Sep 2010	Oct 2010 through Mar 2011	Apr 2011 through Sep 2011	Oct 2011 through Mar 2012	Apr 2012 through Sep 2012	Oct 2012 through Mar 2013
Number of Reports Received	16,134	17,110	17,068	17,586	19,666	20,466	21,625	22,161
Number of Reports Substantiated <sup>1</sup>	1,296	2,122	2,264	2,274	2,522	2,748	2,809	1,267
Substantiation Rate	9%	13%	13%	13%	15%	14%	14%	6%
Number of Reports Investigated & Closed	10,397	8,149	8,403	8,481	9,953	10,345	9,168	10,923
Number of Reports Assigned for Investigation	15,496	16,602	16,853	17,378	19,245	19,274	20,413	20,253
Number of new removals	3,819	3,936	4,010	3,978	4,531	4,968	5,716	5,101
Number of new removals with Voluntary under 18	148	125	135	192	155	150	116	97
Number of Children in Out-of-Home Care on the Last Day of Reporting Period	10,112	10,207	10,514	10,707	11,535	12,453	14,111	14,314
Number of Children in Shelter for More than 21 Days	450	423	471	534	842	713	764	792
Number and Percentage of Children Receiving Visitation In the Last Month of Reporting Period	8,201 (81.1%)	8,973 (87.9%)	8,930 (84.9%)	8,838 (82.5%)	9,363 (81.2%)	9,728 (78.1%)	10,404 (73.7%)	12,101 (84.5%)
Number and Percentage of Children not Receiving Visitation	1,911 (18.9%)	1,234 (12.1%)	1,584 (15.1%)	1,869 (17.5%)	2,172 (18.8%)	2,725 (21.9%)	3,707 (26.3%)	2,213 (15.5%)
Number and Percentage of Parents Receiving Visitation	1,364 (59.6%)	1,578 (64.8%)	1,128 (56.4%)	1,144 (57.3%)	994 (54.5%)	1,081 (57.1%)	1,017 (51.2%)	1,058 (50.9%)
Number of Licensed Foster Homes	3,954	3,932	3,747	3,595	3,496	3,480	3,748	3,516
Number of Foster Home Spaces Available to DCYF	8,625	8,789	8,693	8,483	8,191	8,572	7,716	8,579
Number of New Foster Homes	107	560	718	524	582	663	999	722
Number of Foster Homes Closed	76	582	903	676	681	679	747	740
Number and Percentage of Foster Homes Receiving Visitation In the Last Qtr. Of Reporting Period	3,224 (81.6%)	3,240 (82.4%)	3,102 (82.8%)	3,182 (88.5%)	3,121 (89.3%)	3,132 (79.9%)	3,095 (82.6%)	3,316 (92.7)
Number and Percentage of Foster Homes not Receiving Visitation	730 (18.4%)	692 (17.6)	645 (17.2%)	413 (11.5%)	375 (10.7%)	790 (20.1)	653 (17.4%)	260 (7.3%)
Number of Children Leaving DES Custody	3,894	3,650	3,559	3,649	3,574	3,826	3,923	4,668
Number of Children With a Case Plan Goal of Adoption	2,505	2,411	2,450	2,426	2,561	2,663	2,719	2,852
Number of Children With a Finalized Adoption	891	1,034	991	1,186	1,078	1,224	1,025	1,270

<sup>1</sup> Since the appeals process delays the substantiation of reports, revisions to the substantiation rate for the prior reporting period will occur with every semi-annual report produced.



**Reports of Child Abuse & Neglect**

Child abuse and neglect are defined in A.R.S. §8-201 and A.R.S. §13-3623 (A). These definitions provide the major categories in this report.

Between October 1, 2012 and March 31, 2013, there were 22,161 incoming communications to the Child Abuse Hotline that met the criteria for a report of abuse or neglect. Of these, 305 were within the jurisdiction of military or tribal governments and were referred to those jurisdictions. Compared to one year ago, there has been an 8.3 percent increase in reports received by the CPS Hotline meeting the criteria of a report of abuse or neglect.

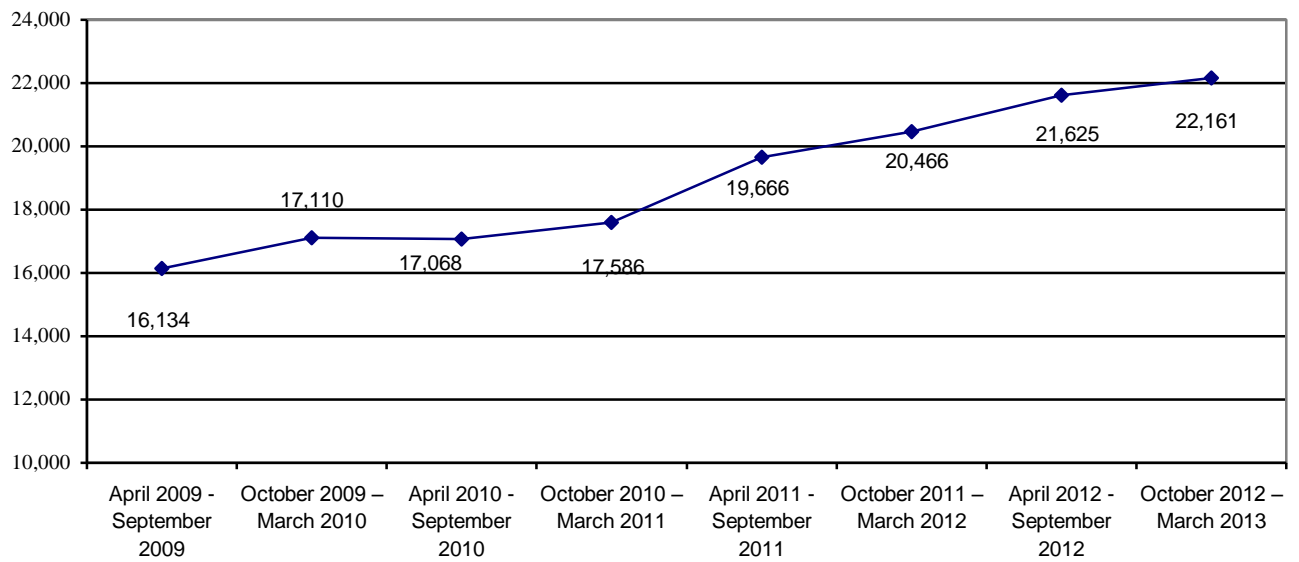
Table 1 shows the number of reports received by the Department by category of maltreatment for the current and past reporting periods. One consistent trend is the increase in the proportion of reports that meet the criteria of neglect. To address this trend, the Department is working internally and with community partners to configure services so that the availability of services with a preventative focus are increased.

**TABLE 1  
REPORTS BY REPORTING PERIOD AND TYPE OF MALTREATMENT**

	Neglect	Physical Abuse	Sexual Abuse	Emotional Abuse	Total
April 2009 – September 2009	9,666 59.9%	5,372 33.3%	919 5.7%	177 1.1%	16,134 100.0%
October 2009 – March 2010	10,127 59.2%	5,866 34.3%	930 5.4%	187 1.1%	17,110 100.0%
April 2010 – September 2010	10,561 61.8%	5,515 32.3%	812 4.8%	180 1.1%	17,068 100.0%
October 2010 – March 2011	10,960 62.3%	5,755 32.7%	712 4.1%	159 0.9%	17,586 100.0%
April 2011 – September 2011	13,158 66.8%	5,615 28.6%	739 3.8%	154 0.8%	19,666 100.0%
October 2011 – March 2012	13,369 65.3%	6,198 30.3%	739 3.6%	160 0.8%	20,466 100.0%
April 2012 – September 2012	14,722 68.1%	5,974 27.6%	764 3.5%	165 0.8%	21,625 100.0%
October 2012 – March 2013	14,916 67.2%	6,263 28.3%	815 3.7%	167 0.8%	22,161 100.0%

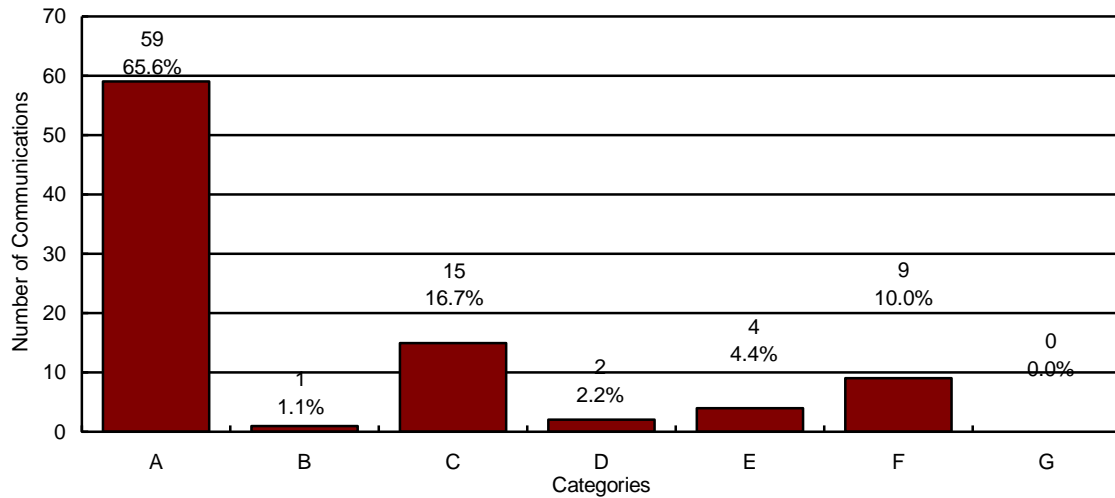
Chart 1 illustrates that the number of CPS reports received by the CPS Hotline has increased by 1,695 reports over the same reporting period last year. The chart below also shows that the significant upward trend in reports received by the CPS Hotline began at the end of FY 2011. This, in turn, resulted in more children entering out-of-home care (see Chart 18 for information on the out-of-home population).

**CHART 1  
REPORTS OF CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT BY REPORTING PERIOD**



In addition to the 22,161 reports during the current reporting period, the Child Abuse Hotline received 10,139 communications that did not meet the statutory criteria of a report of maltreatment. A random sample of these communications is contained in the chart below.

**CHART 2**  
**SAMPLE OF COMMUNICATIONS TO THE CHILD ABUSE HOTLINE THAT DO NOT MEET THE STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS OF A REPORT OF ABUSE OR NEGLECT**



N= 90

- A = Concern Only/No Allegation of Child Abuse or Neglect**
- B = Out of CPS Jurisdiction**
- C = Call Appropriate for Law Enforcement Jurisdiction<sup>2</sup>**
- D = Non-Caretaker Neglect/Child No Longer at Risk**
- E = Insufficient Information**
- F = Truancy/Custody Issues**
- G = Current Case Questions or Referrals**

All communications that do not meet the statutory requirements for a field investigation of abuse or neglect are reviewed within 48 hours by DES quality assurance staff.

<sup>2</sup> The category “Call Appropriate for Law Enforcement Jurisdiction” refers to a situation where the alleged perpetrator is not a parent or primary caretaker and the allegations, if true, would constitute a crime.

Chart 3 below provides information on the number of reports that met each of the CPS Hotline response time classifications in the current and past reporting periods. In Table 2 and Table 3, data on total reports by response time is shown by county for the current and previous reporting periods. The response time determinations are made after the review of multiple factors, however, below is a high level summary of each response time criteria.

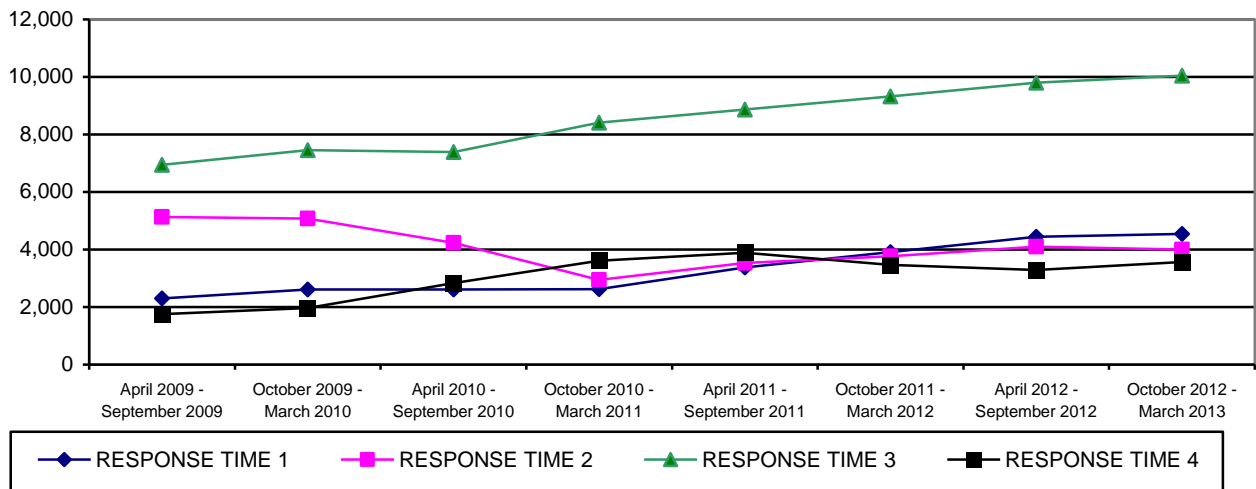
**RESPONSE TIME 1:** Present danger refers to an immediate, significant and clearly observable family condition present now which has resulted in or is likely to result in serious or severe harm requiring an immediate initial response.

**RESPONSE TIME 2:** Impending danger may not be occurring in the present but is likely to occur in the immediate to near future and will likely result in serious or severe harm to a child.

**RESPONSE TIME 3:** Reports that do not rise to the level of present or impending danger, but there is an incident of abuse or neglect that has happened in the past 30 days. This includes a current minor injury to the child.

**RESPONSE TIME 4:** Reports that do not rise to the level of present or impending danger, but 1) there is an incident of abuse or neglect that happened more than 30 days ago, or 2) the date of last occurrence is unknown and there is no current physical indicator of maltreatment, or 3) there is UNREASONABLE risk of harm to the child’s health or welfare.

**CHART 3  
NUMBER OF REPORTS RECEIVED BY RESPONSE TIME**



**TABLE 2**  
**NUMBER OF REPORTS RECEIVED BY RESPONSE TIME AND COUNTY FOR PERIOD OF**  
**OCTOBER 1, 2012 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2013**

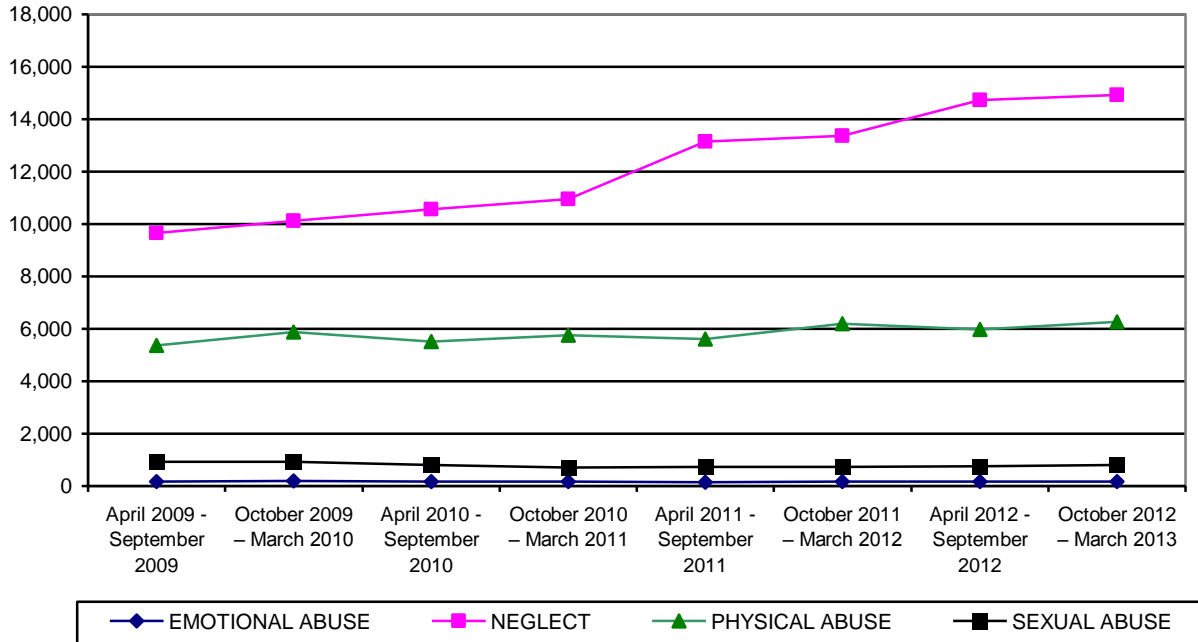
COUNTY	RESPONSE TIME 1	RESPONSE TIME 2	RESPONSE TIME 3	RESPONSE TIME 4	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	12	12	44	20	88	0.4%
COCHISE	86	69	190	67	412	1.9%
COCONINO	102	71	186	72	431	1.9%
GILA	50	43	90	15	198	0.9%
GRAHAM	38	19	51	16	124	0.6%
GREENLEE	2	7	13	4	26	0.1%
LA PAZ	13	15	35	6	69	0.3%
MARICOPA	2,742	2,344	5,814	2,242	13,142	59.3%
MOHAVE	148	118	309	73	648	2.9%
NAVAJO	60	76	153	43	332	1.5%
PIMA	752	774	1,942	608	4,076	18.4%
PINAL	298	265	603	199	1,365	6.2%
SANTA CRUZ	16	22	64	17	119	0.5%
YAVAPAI	119	101	301	125	646	2.9%
YUMA	107	64	249	65	485	2.2%
STATEWIDE	4,545	4,000	10,044	3,572	22,161	100.0%
% OF TOTAL	20.5%	18.1%	45.3%	16.1%	100.0%	

**TABLE 3**  
**NUMBER OF REPORTS RECEIVED BY RESPONSE TIME AND COUNTY FOR PERIOD OF**  
**APRIL 1, 2012 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2012**

COUNTY	RESPONSE TIME 1	RESPONSE TIME 2	RESPONSE TIME 3	RESPONSE TIME 4	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	12	23	47	13	95	0.4%
COCHISE	112	83	216	54	465	2.2%
COCONINO	81	78	184	45	388	1.8%
GILA	58	40	89	19	206	1.0%
GRAHAM	17	27	52	9	105	0.5%
GREENLEE	0	3	13	6	22	0.1%
LA PAZ	16	9	52	8	85	0.4%
MARICOPA	2,667	2,408	5,651	2,009	12,735	58.9%
MOHAVE	148	139	318	52	657	3.0%
NAVAJO	85	71	123	54	333	1.5%
PIMA	728	741	1,893	616	3,978	18.4%
PINAL	312	259	642	215	1,428	6.6%
SANTA CRUZ	30	13	50	15	108	0.5%
YAVAPAI	95	137	299	92	623	2.9%
YUMA	85	65	170	77	397	1.8%
STATEWIDE	4,446	4,096	9,799	3,284	21,625	100.0%
% OF TOTAL	20.6%	18.9%	45.3%	15.2%	100.0%	

The following chart and tables provide the number of reports categorized by type of maltreatment. The total number of reports received by type of maltreatment is displayed in Chart 4. In Table 4 and Table 5 data on the total reports by type of maltreatment is shown by county for the current and previous reporting periods.

**CHART 4  
NUMBER OF REPORTS RECEIVED BY TYPE OF MALTREATMENT**



**TABLE 4  
NUMBER OF REPORTS RECEIVED BY TYPE OF MALTREATMENT AND COUNTY FOR PERIOD OF OCTOBER 1, 2012 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2013**

COUNTY	EMOTIONAL ABUSE	NEGLECT	PHYSICAL ABUSE	SEXUAL ABUSE	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	0	58	24	6	88	0.4%
COCHISE	5	268	122	17	412	1.9%
COCONINO	2	281	134	14	431	1.9%
GILA	2	141	50	5	198	0.9%
GRAHAM	0	85	34	5	124	0.6%
GREENLEE	0	14	10	2	26	0.1%
LA PAZ	0	54	14	1	69	0.3%
MARICOPA	91	8,727	3,808	516	13,142	59.3%
MOHAVE	4	455	170	19	648	2.9%
NAVAJO	0	226	99	7	332	1.5%
PIMA	35	2,827	1,110	104	4,076	18.4%
PINAL	11	915	374	65	1,365	6.2%
SANTA CRUZ	4	81	32	2	119	0.5%
YAVAPAI	9	444	163	30	646	2.9%
YUMA	4	340	119	22	485	2.2%
STATEWIDE	167	14,916	6,263	815	22,161	100.0%
% OF TOTAL	0.8%	67.2%	28.3%	3.7%	100.0%	

**TABLE 5**  
**NUMBER OF REPORTS RECEIVED BY TYPE OF MALTREATMENT AND COUNTY FOR**  
**PERIOD OF APRIL 1, 2012 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2012**

COUNTY	EMOTIONAL ABUSE	NEGLECT	PHYSICAL ABUSE	SEXUAL ABUSE	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	0	69	22	4	95	0.4%
COCHISE	1	331	116	17	465	2.2%
COCONINO	3	261	112	12	388	1.8%
GILA	2	148	49	7	206	1.0%
GRAHAM	1	77	26	1	105	0.5%
GREENLEE	0	15	5	2	22	0.1%
LA PAZ	0	58	23	4	85	0.4%
MARICOPA	90	8,582	3,626	437	12,735	58.9%
MOHAVE	2	468	161	26	657	3.0%
NAVAJO	5	237	78	13	333	1.5%
PIMA	36	2,739	1,062	141	3,978	18.4%
PINAL	15	981	376	56	1,428	6.6%
SANTA CRUZ	1	69	34	4	108	0.5%
YAVAPAI	7	412	188	16	623	2.9%
YUMA	2	275	96	24	397	1.8%
STATEWIDE	165	14,722	5,974	764	21,625	100.0%
% OF TOTAL	0.8%	68.1%	27.6%	3.5%	100.0%	

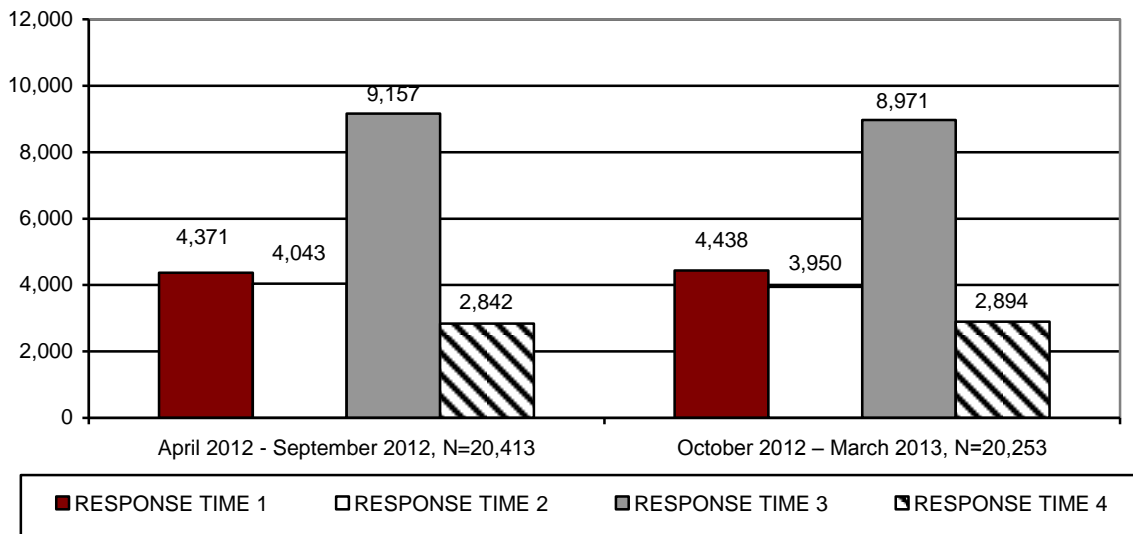
**ASSIGNMENT OF INVESTIGATIONS**

During the current reporting period, there were 22,161 calls to the CPS Hotline that met the statutory criteria for a report. The assignment of those reports for investigation was as follows:

- 305 reports fell within the jurisdiction of military or tribal governments.
- 1,603 reports were given an alternative assessment status.
- 20,253 reports were assigned to be investigated by CPS.

The following tables and charts in this section provide statewide and county level information on these reports assigned to CPS. Of these, CPS completed 10,923 (53.9 percent) of their assigned investigations. Those not completed remain open when the investigation is still in process, when the CPS specialist is waiting for the results of a law enforcement investigation and/or receipt of records that impact the investigation finding, or when the investigation has been completed but is awaiting supervisory review and approval.

**CHART 5  
NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY RESPONSE TIME AND REPORTING PERIOD**





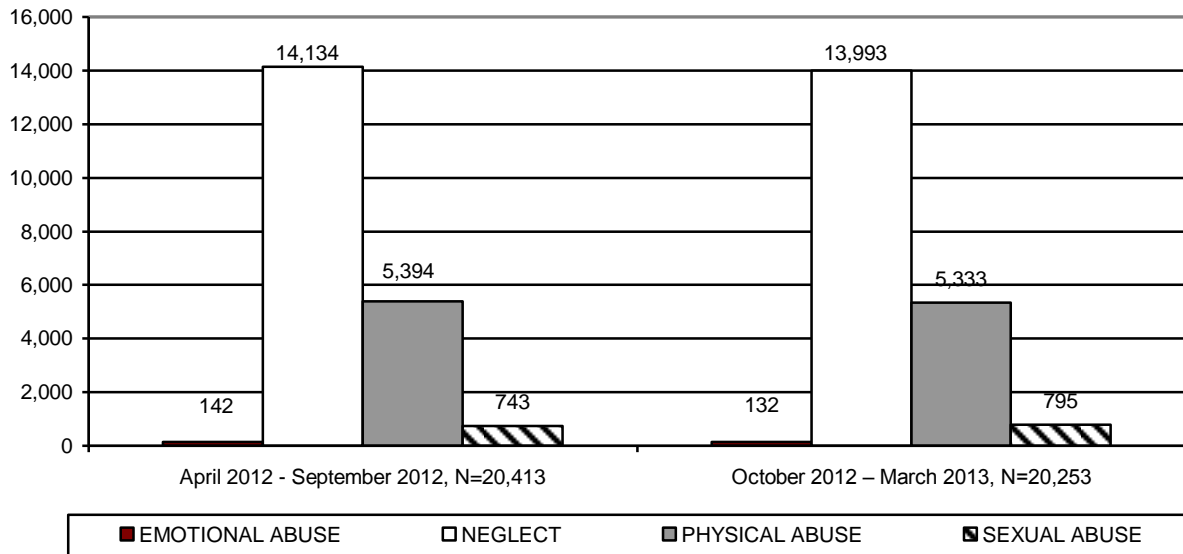
**TABLE 6**  
**NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY RESPONSE TIME AND**  
**COUNTY FOR PERIOD OF OCTOBER 1, 2012 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2013**

COUNTY	RESPONSE TIME 1	RESPONSE TIME 2	RESPONSE TIME 3	RESPONSE TIME 4	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	9	8	36	19	72	0.4%
COCHISE	86	69	190	67	412	2.0%
COCONINO	74	63	163	56	356	1.8%
GILA	43	38	83	14	178	0.9%
GRAHAM	37	19	48	16	120	0.6%
GREENLEE	2	7	13	4	26	0.1%
LA PAZ	12	10	29	4	55	0.3%
MARICOPA	2,726	2,339	5,085	1,740	11,890	58.6%
MOHAVE	142	115	305	71	633	3.1%
NAVAJO	40	67	132	37	276	1.4%
PIMA	749	771	1,758	493	3,771	18.6%
PINAL	283	258	524	167	1,232	6.1%
SANTA CRUZ	16	22	64	17	119	0.6%
YAVAPAI	117	100	294	124	635	3.1%
YUMA	102	64	247	65	478	2.4%
STATEWIDE	4,438	3,950	8,971	2,894	20,253	100.0%
% OF TOTAL	21.9%	19.5%	44.3%	14.3%	100.0%	

**TABLE 7**  
**NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY RESPONSE TIME AND**  
**COUNTY FOR PERIOD OF APRIL 1, 2012 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2012**

COUNTY	RESPONSE TIME 1	RESPONSE TIME 2	RESPONSE TIME 3	RESPONSE TIME 4	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	9	18	33	10	70	0.3%
COCHISE	112	83	216	53	464	2.3%
COCONINO	70	64	160	39	333	1.6%
GILA	51	37	83	16	187	0.9%
GRAHAM	17	24	51	9	101	0.5%
GREENLEE	0	3	13	5	21	0.1%
LA PAZ	12	7	40	8	67	0.3%
MARICOPA	2,653	2,401	5,161	1,621	11,836	58.1%
MOHAVE	143	139	316	51	649	3.2%
NAVAJO	67	61	109	46	283	1.4%
PIMA	725	740	1,884	615	3,964	19.5%
PINAL	306	252	572	185	1,315	6.4%
SANTA CRUZ	30	13	50	15	108	0.5%
YAVAPAI	92	136	299	92	619	3.0%
YUMA	84	65	170	77	396	1.9%
STATEWIDE	4,371	4,043	9,157	2,842	20,413	100.0%
% OF TOTAL	21.4%	19.8%	44.9%	13.9%	100.0%	

**CHART 6  
NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY TYPE OF MALTREATMENT  
AND REPORTING PERIOD**



**TABLE 8  
NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY TYPE OF MALTREATMENT  
BY COUNTY FOR PERIOD OF OCTOBER 1, 2012 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2013**

COUNTY	EMOTIONAL ABUSE	NEGLECT	PHYSICAL ABUSE	SEXUAL ABUSE	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	0	48	19	5	72	0.4%
COCHISE	5	268	122	17	412	2.0%
COCONINO	2	230	112	12	356	1.8%
GILA	2	124	48	4	178	0.9%
GRAHAM	0	82	33	5	120	0.6%
GREENLEE	0	14	10	2	26	0.1%
LA PAZ	0	45	10	0	55	0.3%
MARICOPA	64	8,186	3,136	504	11,890	58.6%
MOHAVE	4	442	168	19	633	3.1%
NAVAJO	0	185	84	7	276	1.4%
PIMA	28	2,679	960	104	3,771	18.6%
PINAL	10	843	317	62	1,232	6.1%
SANTA CRUZ	4	81	32	2	119	0.6%
YAVAPAI	9	433	163	30	635	3.1%
YUMA	4	333	119	22	478	2.4%
STATEWIDE	132	13,993	5,333	795	20,253	100.0%
% OF TOTAL	0.7%	69.1%	26.3%	3.9%	100.0%	

**TABLE 9  
NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY TYPE OF MALTREATMENT  
BY COUNTY FOR PERIOD OF APRIL 1, 2012 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2012**

COUNTY	EMOTIONAL ABUSE	NEGLECT	PHYSICAL ABUSE	SEXUAL ABUSE	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	0	51	15	4	70	0.3%
COCHISE	1	331	116	16	464	2.3%
COCONINO	2	218	102	11	333	1.6%
GILA	2	136	44	5	187	0.9%
GRAHAM	1	73	26	1	101	0.5%
GREENLEE	0	14	5	2	21	0.1%
LA PAZ	0	44	19	4	67	0.3%
MARICOPA	71	8,210	3,132	423	11,836	58.1%
MOHAVE	2	461	160	26	649	3.2%
NAVAJO	5	198	68	12	283	1.4%
PIMA	35	2,727	1,061	141	3,964	19.5%
PINAL	13	917	331	54	1,315	6.4%
SANTA CRUZ	1	69	34	4	108	0.5%
YAVAPAI	7	411	185	16	619	3.0%
YUMA	2	274	96	24	396	1.9%
STATEWIDE	142	14,134	5,394	743	20,413	100.0%
% OF TOTAL	0.7%	69.3%	26.4%	3.6%	100.0%	

**INVESTIGATIONS OF CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT**

The 1,603 reports in Table 10 below received an alternative assessment rather than being responded to by a CPS investigator.

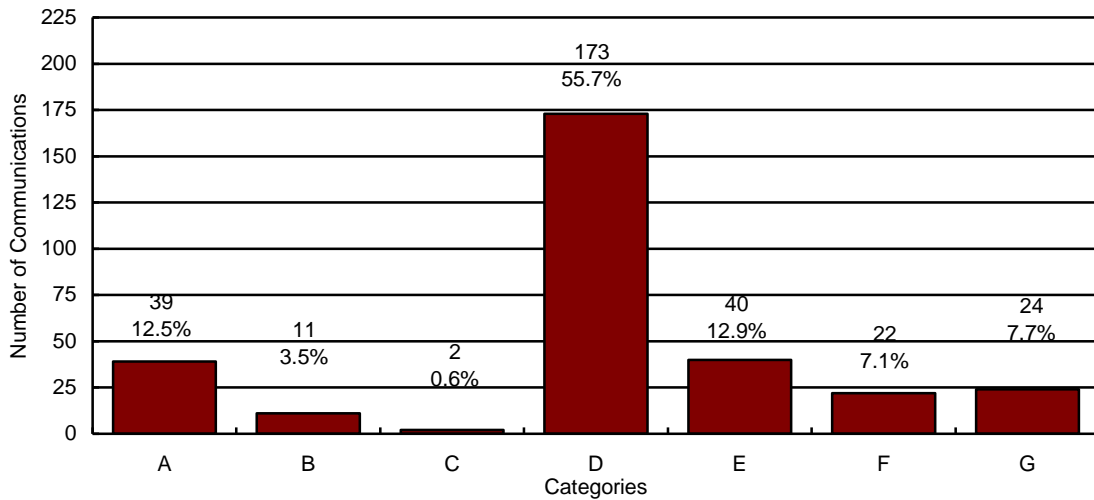
**TABLE 10  
NUMBER OF REPORTS NOT RESPONDED TO BY RESPONSE TIME AND COUNTY FOR  
PERIOD OF OCTOBER 1, 2012 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2013**

COUNTY	RESPONSE TIME 1	RESPONSE TIME 2	RESPONSE TIME 3	RESPONSE TIME 4	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
COCHISE	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
COCONINO	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
GILA	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
GRAHAM	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
GREENLEE	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
LA PAZ	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
MARICOPA	0	0	713	498	1,211	75.6%
MOHAVE	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
NAVAJO	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
PIMA	0	0	181	111	292	18.2%
PINAL	0	0	72	28	100	6.2%
SANTA CRUZ	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
YAVAPAI	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
YUMA	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
STATEWIDE	0	0	966	637	1,603	100.0%

% OF TOTAL	0.0%	0.0%	60.3%	39.7%	100.0%	
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By statute, a random sample of reports that did not receive a CPS investigative response in each reporting period is required. In addition, short descriptions of these reports are also required. From the 1,603 reports that were given an alternative assessment status a random sample of 311 reports were reviewed. Chart 7 displays the 311 reports in brief descriptive categories.

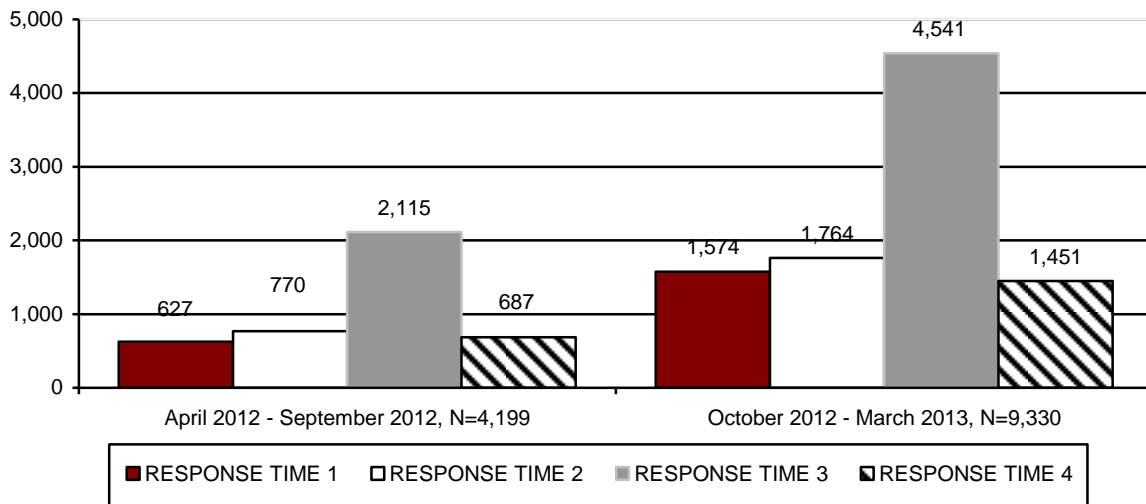
**CHART 7  
NUMBER OF REPORTS NOT RESPONDED TO BY CATEGORY FOR THE PERIOD OF  
OCTOBER 1, 2012 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2013**



N= 311

- A = Adolescent, Past Abuse, No Current Injuries**
- B = Inadequate Housekeeping Standards**
- C = Inappropriate Vehicle Operation**
- D = No Specific Allegations**
- E = Past Abuse no current injuries**
- F = Adolescent, current minor injuries**
- G = Non-adolescent, current minor injuries**

**CHART 8**  
**NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY RESPONSE TIME AND REPORTING PERIOD FOR REPORTS OPEN FOR INVESTIGATION**



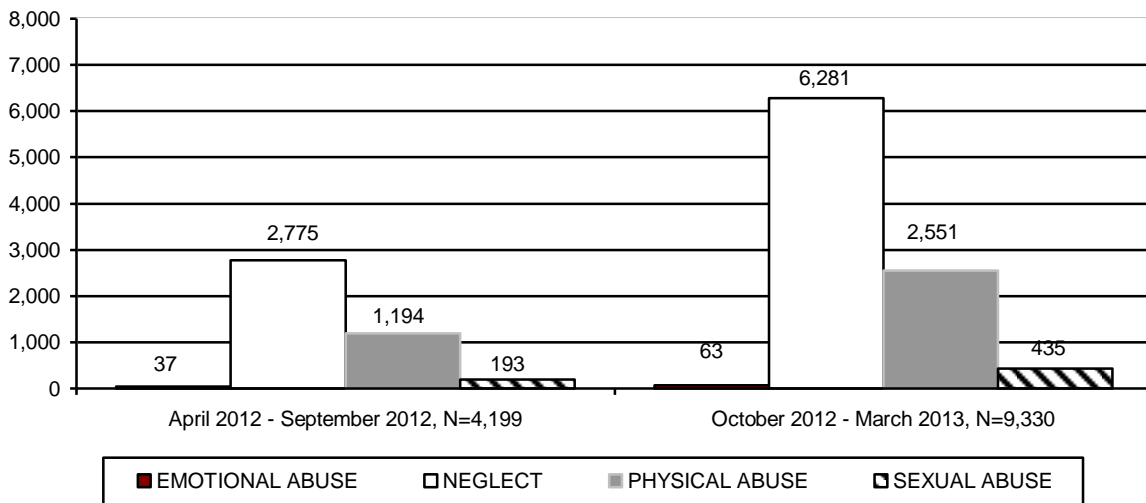
**TABLE 11**  
**NUMBER OF REPORTS BY RESPONSE TIME AND COUNTY FOR REPORTS OPEN FOR INVESTIGATION FOR PERIOD OF OCTOBER 1, 2012 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2013**

COUNTY	RESPONSE TIME 1	RESPONSE TIME 2	RESPONSE TIME 3	RESPONSE TIME 4	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	3	0	5	10	18	0.2%
COCHISE	41	26	88	29	184	2.0%
COCONINO	11	7	19	8	45	0.5%
GILA	27	21	31	7	86	0.9%
GRAHAM	18	11	25	9	63	0.7%
GREENLEE	0	5	8	4	17	0.2%
LA PAZ	1	0	0	0	1	<0.1%
MARICOPA	943	1,078	2,731	889	5,641	60.4%
MOHAVE	25	31	71	21	148	1.6%
NAVAJO	8	14	37	10	69	0.7%
PIMA	282	353	943	286	1,864	20.0%
PINAL	148	144	322	99	713	7.6%
SANTA CRUZ	5	8	35	9	57	0.6%
YAVAPAI	37	41	115	46	239	2.6%
YUMA	25	25	111	24	185	2.0%
STATEWIDE	1,574	1,764	4,541	1,451	9,330	100.0%
% OF TOTAL	16.9%	18.9%	48.6%	15.6%	100.0%	

**TABLE 12  
NUMBER OF REPORTS BY RESPONSE TIME AND COUNTY FOR REPORTS OPEN FOR INVESTIGATION FOR PERIOD OF APRIL 1, 2012 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2012**

COUNTY	RESPONSE TIME 1	RESPONSE TIME 2	RESPONSE TIME 3	RESPONSE TIME 4	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	0	0	0	1	1	<0.1%
COCHISE	8	15	31	7	61	1.5%
COCONINO	0	0	1	0	1	<0.1%
GILA	5	6	18	3	32	0.8%
GRAHAM	0	1	7	1	9	0.2%
GREENLEE	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
LA PAZ	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
MARICOPA	408	450	1,197	380	2,435	58.0%
MOHAVE	11	14	30	8	63	1.5%
NAVAJO	3	9	3	1	16	0.4%
PIMA	126	203	657	220	1,206	28.7%
PINAL	51	56	143	55	305	7.3%
SANTA CRUZ	6	3	8	1	18	0.4%
YAVAPAI	3	10	7	2	22	0.5%
YUMA	6	3	13	8	30	0.7%
STATEWIDE	627	770	2,115	687	4,199	100.0%
% OF TOTAL	14.9%	18.3%	50.4%	16.4%	100.0%	

**CHART 9  
NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY TYPE OF MALTREATMENT FOR REPORTS OPEN FOR INVESTIGATION**



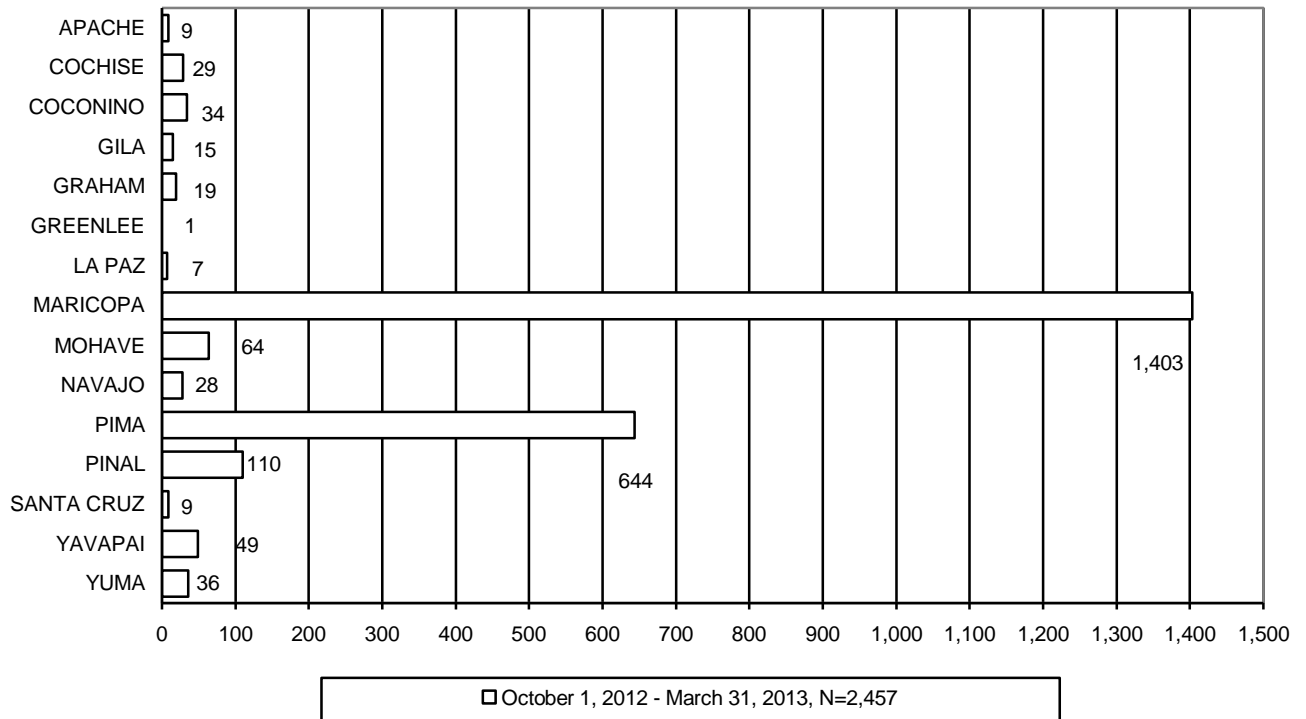
**TABLE 13**  
**NUMBER OF REPORTS BY TYPE OF MALTREATMENT AND COUNTY FOR REPORTS**  
**OPEN FOR INVESTIGATION FOR PERIOD OF**  
**OCTOBER 1, 2012 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2013**

COUNTY	EMOTIONAL ABUSE	NEGLECT	PHYSICAL ABUSE	SEXUAL ABUSE	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	0	11	3	4	18	0.2%
COCHISE	2	127	46	9	184	2.0%
COCONINO	0	30	14	1	45	0.5%
GILA	0	64	20	2	86	0.9%
GRAHAM	0	45	14	4	63	0.7%
GREENLEE	0	11	6	0	17	0.2%
LA PAZ	0	1	0	0	1	<0.1%
MARICOPA	31	3,712	1,610	288	5,641	60.4%
MOHAVE	0	97	47	4	148	1.6%
NAVAJO	0	48	20	1	69	0.7%
PIMA	15	1,310	477	62	1,864	20.0%
PINAL	6	492	177	38	713	7.6%
SANTA CRUZ	4	39	13	1	57	0.6%
YAVAPAI	3	165	62	9	239	2.6%
YUMA	2	129	42	12	185	2.0%
STATEWIDE	63	6,281	2,551	435	9,330	100.0%
% OF TOTAL	0.7%	67.3%	27.3%	4.7%	100.0%	

**TABLE 14**  
**NUMBER OF REPORTS BY TYPE OF MALTREATMENT AND COUNTY FOR REPORTS**  
**OPEN FOR INVESTIGATION FOR PERIOD OF**  
**APRIL 1, 2012 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2012**

COUNTY	EMOTIONAL ABUSE	NEGLECT	PHYSICAL ABUSE	SEXUAL ABUSE	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	0	0	0	1	1	<0.1%
COCHISE	0	40	18	3	61	1.5%
COCONINO	0	1	0	0	1	<0.1%
GILA	0	20	10	2	32	0.8%
GRAHAM	0	5	4	0	9	0.2%
GREENLEE	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
LA PAZ	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
MARICOPA	22	1,603	705	105	2,435	58.0%
MOHAVE	0	44	19	0	63	1.5%
NAVAJO	0	10	6	0	16	0.4%
PIMA	10	794	334	68	1,206	28.7%
PINAL	4	210	80	11	305	7.3%
SANTA CRUZ	1	12	5	0	18	0.4%
YAVAPAI	0	15	7	0	22	0.5%
YUMA	0	21	6	3	30	0.7%
STATEWIDE	37	2,775	1,194	193	4,199	100.0%
% OF TOTAL	0.9%	66.1%	28.4%	4.6%	100.0%	

**CHART 10  
NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION WHERE A REMOVAL OCCURRED**



**TABLE 15  
NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY COUNTY WHERE A REMOVAL OCCURRED FOR THE PERIOD OCTOBER 1, 2012 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2013**

COUNTY	NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED	NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED WITH A REMOVAL	% OF REPORTS WHERE A CHILD WAS PLACED IN OUT-OF-HOME CARE
APACHE	72	9	12.5%
COCHISE	412	29	7.0%
COCONINO	356	34	9.6%
GILA	178	15	8.4%
GRAHAM	120	19	15.8%
GREENLEE	26	1	3.8%
LA PAZ	55	7	12.7%
MARICOPA	11,890	1,403	11.8%
MOHAVE	633	64	10.1%
NAVAJO	276	28	10.1%
PIMA	3,771	644	17.1%
PINAL	1,232	110	8.9%
SANTA CRUZ	119	9	7.6%
YAVAPAI	635	49	7.7%
YUMA	478	36	7.5%
STATEWIDE	20,253	2,457	12.1%



**TABLE 16**  
**NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY COUNTY WHERE A**  
**REMOVAL OCCURRED FOR THE PERIOD APRIL 1, 2012 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2012**

COUNTY	NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED	NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED WITH A REMOVAL	% OF REPORTS WHERE A CHILD WAS PLACED IN OUT-OF-HOME CARE
APACHE	70	16	22.9%
COCHISE	464	42	9.1%
COCONINO	333	30	9.0%
GILA	187	27	14.4%
GRAHAM	101	10	9.9%
GREENLEE	21	0	0.0%
LA PAZ	67	8	11.9%
MARICOPA	11,836	1,518	12.8%
MOHAVE	649	65	10.0%
NAVAJO	283	38	13.4%
PIMA	3,964	725	18.3%
PINAL	1,315	140	10.6%
SANTA CRUZ	108	1	0.9%
YAVAPAI	619	65	10.5%
YUMA	396	41	10.4%
STATEWIDE	20,413	2,726	13.4%

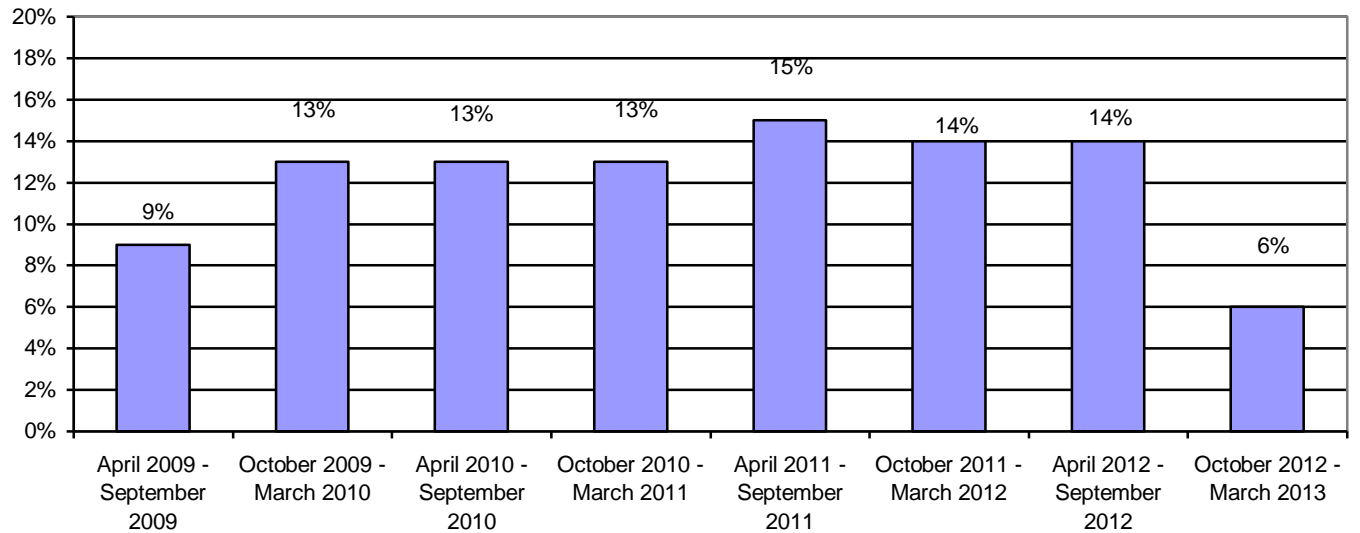
### **COMPLETED INVESTIGATIONS**

Substantiated reports are reports where the Department has determined that at least one of the allegations in the report of abuse and/or neglect is true. The number of reports that are considered substantiated are a subset of the total number of reports that were received, investigated, and closed during the reporting period.

The preliminary number of CPS reports that are substantiated for the current reporting period is 1,267. For the prior reporting period, the number of CPS reports that were assigned for investigation that resulted in substantiated findings was revised from 1,704 to 2,809 to reflect subsequent decisions based on parents' rights to due process.

- The preliminary substantiation rate for the current reporting period is six percent. However, the substantiation rate for the current period is anticipated to be revised upwards in the next semi-annual report.
- The substantiation rate for the prior reporting period is fourteen percent. However, when initially reported the April 2012 – September 2012 substantiation rate was eight percent.

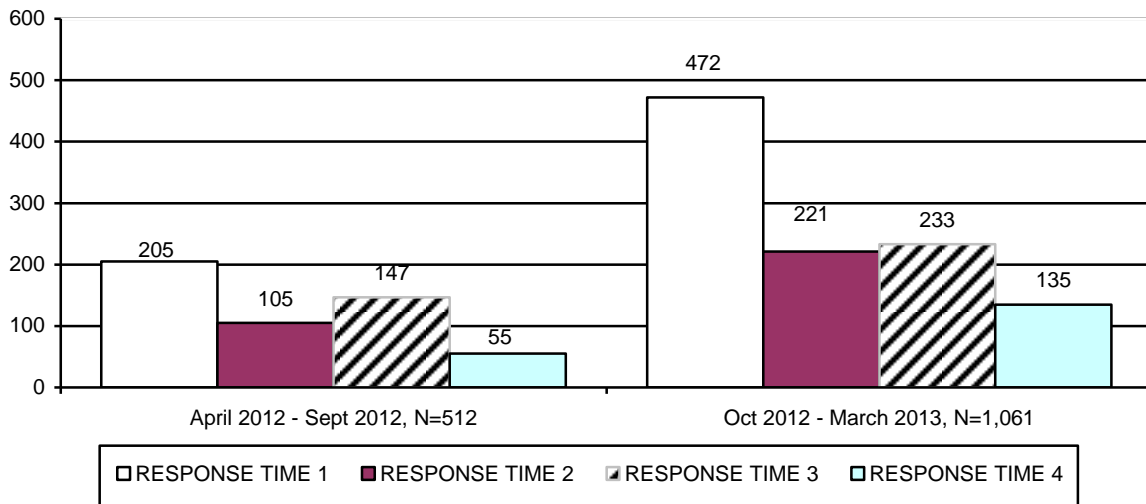
**CHART 11  
SUBSTANTIATION RATE BY REPORTING  
PERIOD**



Information on both proposed substantiations and finalized substantiations is provided in the charts and tables below:

- For information on the proposed substantiated investigation findings—classified by response time—for the current and prior reporting period, see Chart 12, Table 17, and Table 18.
- For information on the proposed substantiated investigation findings—classified by type of maltreatment—for the current and prior reporting period, see Chart 13, Table 19, and Table 20.
- For information on the substantiated investigation findings—classified by response time—for the current and prior reporting period, see Chart 14, Table 21, and Table 22.
- For information on the substantiated investigation findings—classified by type of maltreatment—for the current and prior reporting period, see Chart 15, Table 23, and Table 24.

**CHART 12**  
**NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY RESPONSE TIME AND REPORTING PERIOD THAT RESULTED IN PROPOSED SUBSTANTIATION**



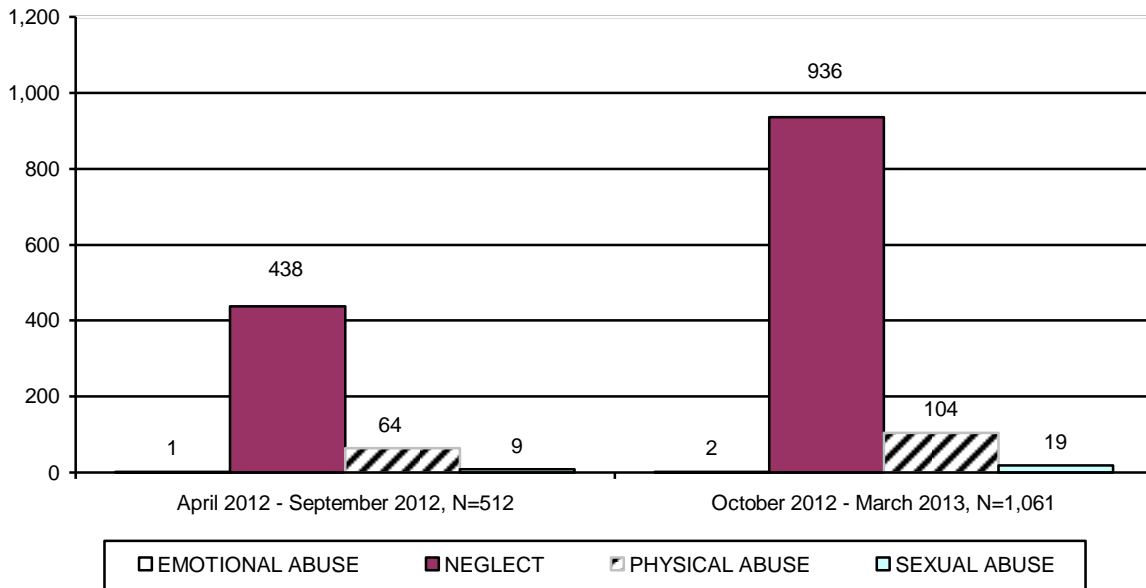
**TABLE 17**  
**NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY RESPONSE TIME AND COUNTY THAT RESULTED IN PROPOSED SUBSTANTIATION FOR PERIOD OF OCTOBER 1, 2012 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2013**

COUNTY	RESPONSE TIME 1	RESPONSE TIME 2	RESPONSE TIME 3	RESPONSE TIME 4	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	1	2	1	0	4	0.4%
COCHISE	4	3	3	0	10	0.9%
COCONINO	6	2	5	2	15	1.4%
GILA	1	0	0	0	1	0.1%
GRAHAM	2	0	2	0	4	0.4%
GREENLEE	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
LA PAZ	6	2	0	0	8	0.8%
MARICOPA	252	117	112	101	582	54.9%
MOHAVE	28	14	6	3	51	4.8%
NAVAJO	4	4	2	0	10	0.9%
PIMA	104	56	61	19	240	22.6%
PINAL	24	11	9	4	48	4.5%
SANTA CRUZ	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
YAVAPAI	16	8	17	2	43	4.1%
YUMA	24	2	15	4	45	4.2%
STATEWIDE	472	221	233	135	1,061	100.0%
% OF TOTAL	44.5%	20.8%	22.0%	12.7%	100.0%	

**TABLE 18**  
**NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY RESPONSE TIME AND COUNTY THAT RESULTED IN PROPOSED SUBSTANTIATION FOR PERIOD OF APRIL 1, 2012 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2012**

COUNTY	RESPONSE TIME 1	RESPONSE TIME 2	RESPONSE TIME 3	RESPONSE TIME 4	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	0	1	1	0	2	0.4%
COCHISE	4	2	4	0	10	2.0%
COCONINO	6	3	3	0	12	2.3%
GILA	1	1	1	0	3	0.6%
GRAHAM	1	0	0	0	1	0.2%
GREENLEE	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
LA PAZ	1	0	0	1	2	0.4%
MARICOPA	114	56	91	38	299	58.4%
MOHAVE	8	2	4	0	14	2.7%
NAVAJO	2	3	1	0	6	1.2%
PIMA	33	19	19	9	80	15.6%
PINAL	18	7	10	3	38	7.4%
SANTA CRUZ	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
YAVAPAI	11	8	6	4	29	5.7%
YUMA	6	3	7	0	16	3.1%
STATEWIDE	205	105	147	55	512	100.0%
% OF TOTAL	40.1%	20.5%	28.7%	10.7%	100.0%	

**CHART 13**  
**NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY TYPE OF MALTREATMENT THAT RESULTED IN PROPOSED SUBSTANTIATION**



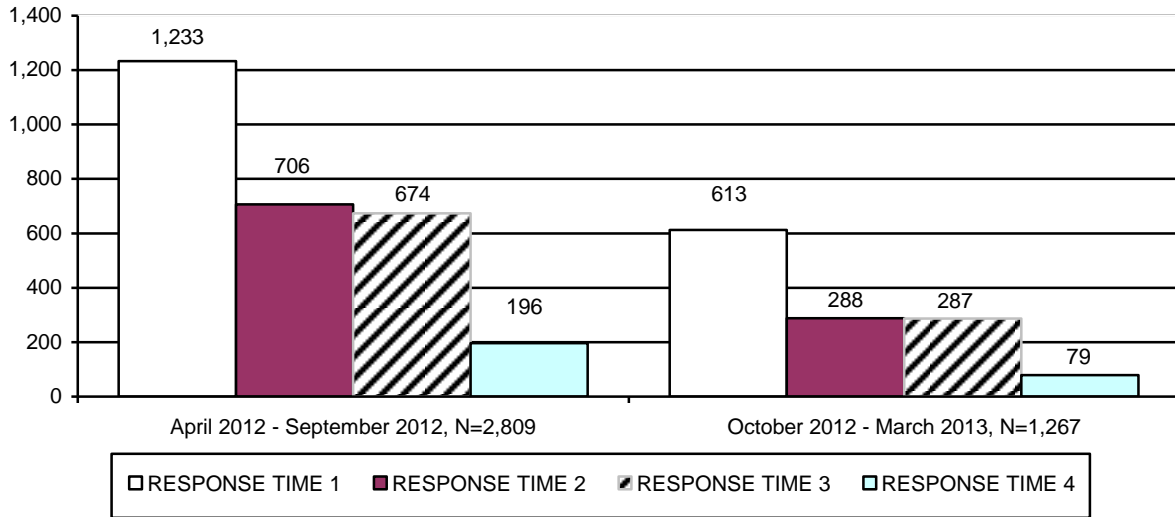
**TABLE 19**  
**NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY TYPE OF MALTREATMENT**  
**BY COUNTY THAT RESULTED IN PROPOSED SUBSTANTIATION FOR PERIOD OF**  
**OCTOBER 1, 2012 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2013**

COUNTY	EMOTIONAL ABUSE	NEGLECT	PHYSICAL ABUSE	SEXUAL ABUSE	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	0	3	1	0	4	0.4%
COCHISE	0	9	1	0	10	0.9%
COCONINO	0	10	3	2	15	1.4%
GILA	0	1	0	0	1	0.1%
GRAHAM	0	2	2	0	4	0.4%
GREENLEE	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
LA PAZ	0	8	0	0	8	0.8%
MARICOPA	1	513	56	12	582	54.9%
MOHAVE	0	48	2	1	51	4.8%
NAVAJO	0	10	0	0	10	0.9%
PIMA	1	214	24	1	240	22.6%
PINAL	0	43	5	0	48	4.5%
SANTA CRUZ	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
YAVAPAI	0	34	7	2	43	4.1%
YUMA	0	41	3	1	45	4.2%
STATEWIDE	2	936	104	19	1,061	100.0%
% OF TOTAL	0.2%	88.2%	9.8%	1.8%	100.0%	

**TABLE 20**  
**NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY TYPE OF MALTREATMENT**  
**BY COUNTY THAT RESULTED IN PROPOSED SUBSTANTIATION FOR PERIOD OF**  
**APRIL 1, 2012 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2012**

COUNTY	EMOTIONAL ABUSE	NEGLECT	PHYSICAL ABUSE	SEXUAL ABUSE	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	0	2	0	0	2	0.4%
COCHISE	0	9	1	0	10	2.0%
COCONINO	0	11	1	0	12	2.3%
GILA	0	3	0	0	3	0.6%
GRAHAM	0	1	0	0	1	0.2%
GREENLEE	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
LA PAZ	0	1	1	0	2	0.4%
MARICOPA	0	248	43	8	299	58.4%
MOHAVE	0	12	2	0	14	2.7%
NAVAJO	0	5	1	0	6	1.2%
PIMA	1	75	4	0	80	15.6%
PINAL	0	33	5	0	38	7.4%
SANTA CRUZ	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
YAVAPAI	0	29	0	0	29	5.7%
YUMA	0	9	6	1	16	3.1%
STATEWIDE	1	438	64	9	512	100.0%
% OF TOTAL	0.2%	85.5%	12.5%	1.8%	100.0%	

**CHART 14  
NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY RESPONSE TIME AND  
REPORTING PERIOD THAT RESULTED IN  
SUBSTANTIATION**



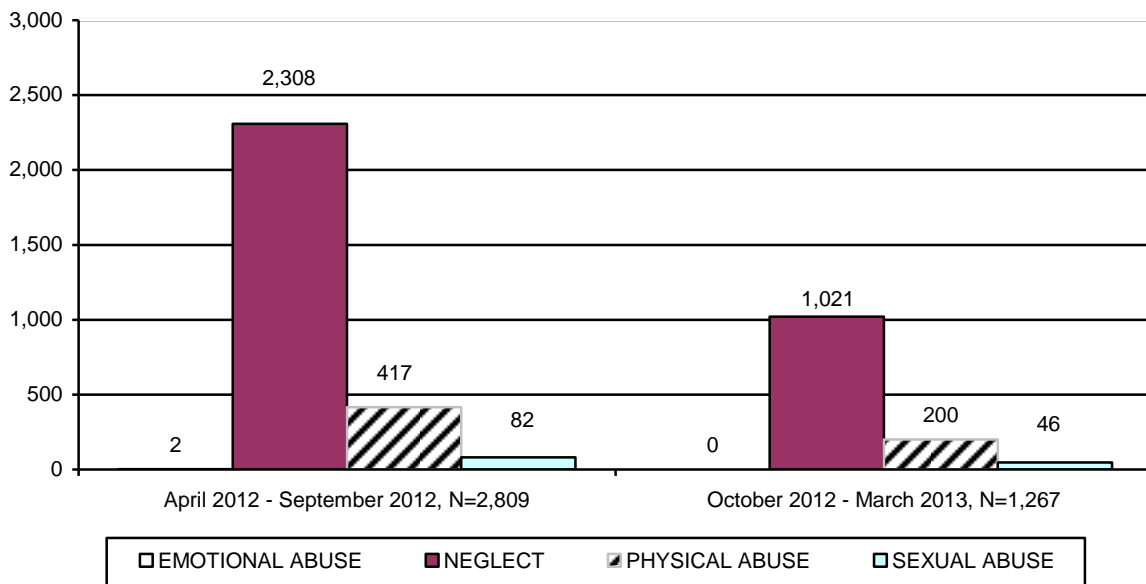
**TABLE 21  
NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY RESPONSE TIME AND  
COUNTY THAT RESULTED IN SUBSTANTIATION FOR PERIOD OF  
OCTOBER 1, 2012 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2013**

COUNTY	RESPONSE TIME 1	RESPONSE TIME 2	RESPONSE TIME 3	RESPONSE TIME 4	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	0	1	2	0	3	0.2%
COCHISE	5	3	2	0	10	0.8%
COCONINO	4	1	9	1	15	1.2%
GILA	1	2	3	0	6	0.5%
GRAHAM	2	2	0	0	4	0.3%
GREENLEE	0	1	1	0	2	0.2%
LA PAZ	1	1	1	0	3	0.2%
MARICOPA	431	177	175	62	845	66.6%
MOHAVE	9	4	8	0	21	1.7%
NAVAJO	5	3	4	0	12	1.0%
PIMA	118	79	63	13	273	21.5%
PINAL	17	8	6	1	32	2.5%
SANTA CRUZ	7	4	3	0	14	1.1%
YAVAPAI	6	0	5	1	12	1.0%
YUMA	7	2	5	1	15	1.2%
STATEWIDE	613	288	287	79	1,267	100.0%
% OF TOTAL	48.4%	22.7%	22.7%	6.2%	100.0%	

**TABLE 22**  
**NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY RESPONSE TIME AND**  
**COUNTY THAT RESULTED IN SUBSTANTIATION FOR PERIOD OF**  
**APRIL 1, 2012 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2012**

COUNTY	RESPONSE TIME 1	RESPONSE TIME 2	RESPONSE TIME 3	RESPONSE TIME 4	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	5	3	6	0	14	0.5%
COCHISE	7	7	11	1	36	1.3%
COCONINO	10	9	9	3	31	1.1%
GILA	16	6	4	0	26	0.9%
GRAHAM	3	3	2	0	8	0.3%
GREENLEE	0	1	0	0	1	<0.1%
LA PAZ	6	0	4	1	11	0.4%
MARICOPA	723	414	374	147	1,658	59.0%
MOHAVE	33	12	13	0	58	2.1%
NAVAJO	18	6	7	0	31	1.1%
PIMA	282	193	176	28	679	24.2%
PINAL	69	22	20	7	118	4.2%
SANTA CRUZ	4	3	1	1	9	0.3%
YAVAPAI	23	19	32	4	78	2.8%
YUMA	24	8	15	4	51	1.8%
STATEWIDE	1,233	706	674	196	2,809	100.0%
% OF TOTAL	43.9%	25.1%	24.0%	7.0%	100.0%	

**CHART 15**  
**NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY TYPE OF MALTREATMENT**  
**THAT RESULTED IN SUBSTANTIATION**



**TABLE 23**  
**NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY TYPE OF MALTREATMENT**  
**BY COUNTY THAT RESULTED IN SUBSTANTIATION FOR PERIOD OF**  
**OCTOBER 1, 2012 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2013**

COUNTY	EMOTIONAL ABUSE	NEGLECT	PHYSICAL ABUSE	SEXUAL ABUSE	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	0	2	1	0	3	0.2%
COCHISE	0	4	5	1	10	0.8%
COCONINO	0	9	5	1	15	1.2%
GILA	0	4	2	0	6	0.5%
GRAHAM	0	4	0	0	4	0.3%
GREENLEE	0	1	1	0	2	0.2%
LA PAZ	0	2	1	0	3	0.2%
MARICOPA	0	690	122	33	845	66.6%
MOHAVE	0	16	4	1	21	1.7%
NAVAJO	0	9	1	2	12	1.0%
PIMA	0	226	42	5	273	21.5%
PINAL	0	20	11	1	32	2.5%
SANTA CRUZ	0	12	2	0	14	1.1%
YAVAPAI	0	9	1	2	12	1.0%
YUMA	0	13	2	0	15	1.2%
STATEWIDE	0	1,021	200	46	1,267	100.0%
% OF TOTAL	0.0%	80.6%	15.8%	3.6%	100.0%	

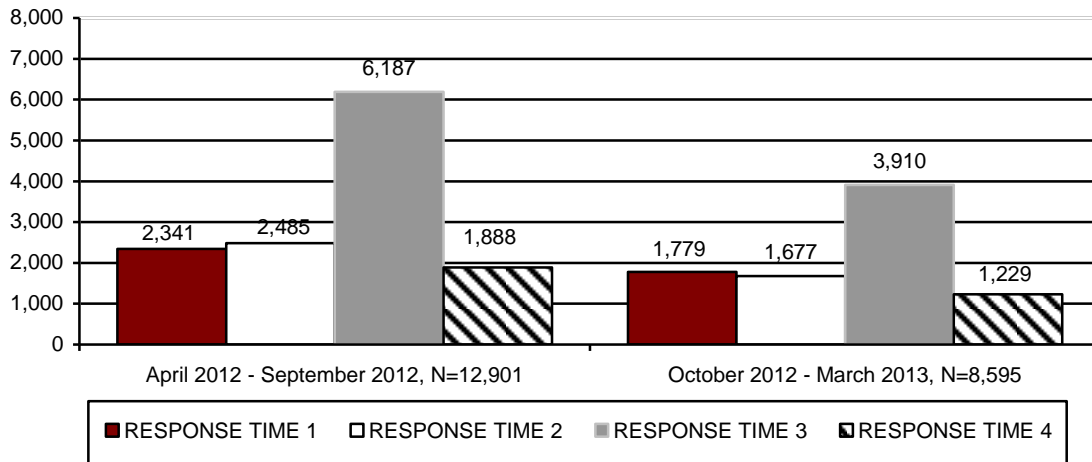
**TABLE 24**  
**NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY TYPE OF MALTREATMENT**  
**BY COUNTY THAT RESULTED IN SUBSTANTIATION FOR PERIOD OF**  
**APRIL 1, 2012 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2012**

COUNTY	EMOTIONAL ABUSE	NEGLECT	PHYSICAL ABUSE	SEXUAL ABUSE	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	0	11	3	0	14	0.5%
COCHISE	0	28	6	2	36	1.3%
COCONINO	0	20	8	3	31	1.1%
GILA	0	18	7	1	26	0.9%
GRAHAM	0	8	0	0	8	0.3%
GREENLEE	0	0	1	0	1	<0.1%
LA PAZ	0	7	2	2	11	0.4%
MARICOPA	0	1,370	238	50	1,658	59.0%
MOHAVE	0	44	11	3	58	2.1%
NAVAJO	0	25	4	2	31	1.1%
PIMA	2	570	100	7	679	24.2%
PINAL	0	99	12	7	118	4.2%
SANTA CRUZ	0	8	1	0	9	0.3%
YAVAPAI	0	56	18	4	78	2.8%
YUMA	0	44	6	1	51	1.8%
STATEWIDE	2	2,308	417	82	2,809	100.0%
% OF TOTAL	0.1%	82.1%	14.9%	2.9%	100.0%	



The preliminary number of CPS investigations that resulted in an unsubstantiated finding for this reporting period was 8,595. Charts 16 and 17 display information on unsubstantiated reports classified by response time and type of maltreatment for the current and prior reporting periods. Tables 25 and 26 provide information on the unsubstantiated investigation findings classified by response time for each county in the current and prior reporting periods. Tables 27 and 28 provide information on the unsubstantiated investigation findings classified by type of maltreatment for each county in the current and prior reporting periods.

**CHART 16**  
**NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY RESPONSE TIME AND REPORTING PERIOD THAT RESULTED IN UNSUBSTANTIATION**



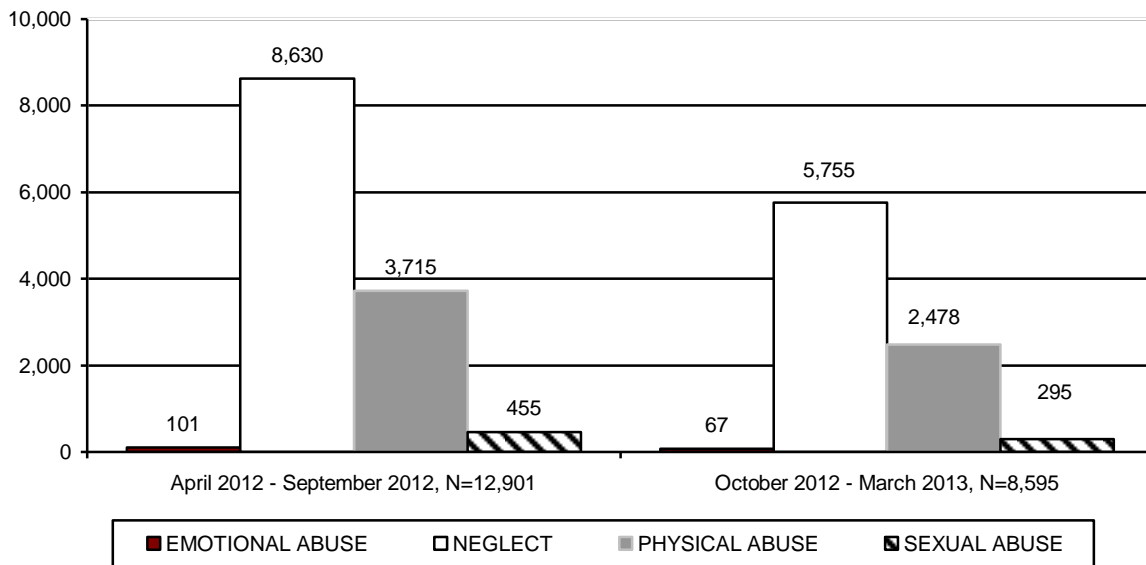
**TABLE 25**  
**NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY RESPONSE TIME AND COUNTY THAT RESULTED IN UNSUBSTANTIATION FOR PERIOD OF OCTOBER 1, 2012 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2013**

COUNTY	RESPONSE TIME 1	RESPONSE TIME 2	RESPONSE TIME 3	RESPONSE TIME 4	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	5	5	28	9	47	0.6%
COCHISE	36	37	97	38	208	2.4%
COCONINO	53	53	130	45	281	3.3%
GILA	14	15	49	7	85	1.0%
GRAHAM	15	6	21	7	49	0.6%
GREENLEE	2	1	4	0	7	0.1%
LA PAZ	4	7	28	4	43	0.5%
MARICOPA	1,100	967	2,067	688	4,822	56.0%
MOHAVE	80	66	220	47	413	4.8%
NAVAJO	23	46	89	27	185	2.2%
PIMA	245	283	691	175	1,394	16.1%
PINAL	94	95	187	63	439	5.1%
SANTA CRUZ	4	10	26	8	48	0.6%
YAVAPAI	58	51	157	75	341	4.0%
YUMA	46	35	116	36	233	2.7%
STATEWIDE	1,779	1,677	3,910	1,229	8,595	100.0%
% OF TOTAL	20.7%	19.5%	45.5%	14.3%	100.0%	

**TABLE 26  
NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY RESPONSE TIME AND  
COUNTY THAT RESULTED IN UNSUBSTANTIATION FOR PERIOD OF  
APRIL 1, 2012 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2012**

COUNTY	RESPONSE TIME 1	RESPONSE TIME 2	RESPONSE TIME 3	RESPONSE TIME 4	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	4	15	25	9	53	0.4%
COCHISE	83	59	172	44	358	2.8%
COCONINO	54	52	146	36	288	2.2%
GILA	29	24	62	13	128	1.0%
GRAHAM	13	20	42	8	83	0.6%
GREENLEE	0	2	13	5	20	0.2%
LA PAZ	5	7	36	6	54	0.4%
MARICOPA	1,431	1,485	3,490	1,052	7,458	57.9%
MOHAVE	91	112	268	43	514	4.0%
NAVAJO	44	44	99	45	232	1.8%
PIMA	293	336	1,020	351	2,000	15.5%
PINAL	171	172	383	117	843	6.5%
SANTA CRUZ	20	7	41	13	81	0.6%
YAVAPAI	55	99	255	81	490	3.8%
YUMA	48	51	135	65	299	2.3%
STATEWIDE	2,341	2,485	6,187	1,888	12,901	100.0%
% OF TOTAL	18.2%	19.3%	47.9%	14.6%	100.0%	

**CHART 17  
NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY TYPE OF MALTREATMENT  
THAT RESULTED IN UNSUBSTANTIATION BY REPORTING PERIOD**



**TABLE 27**  
**NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY TYPE OF MALTREATMENT**  
**BY COUNTY THAT RESULTED IN UNSUBSTANTIATION FOR PERIOD OF**  
**OCTOBER 1, 2012 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2013**

COUNTY	EMOTIONAL ABUSE	NEGLECT	PHYSICAL ABUSE	SEXUAL ABUSE	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	0	32	14	1	47	0.6%
COCHISE	3	128	70	7	208	2.4%
COCONINO	2	181	90	8	281	3.3%
GILA	2	55	26	2	85	1.0%
GRAHAM	0	31	17	1	49	0.6%
GREENLEE	0	2	3	2	7	0.1%
LA PAZ	0	34	9	0	43	0.5%
MARICOPA	32	3,271	1,348	171	4,822	56.0%
MOHAVE	4	281	115	13	413	4.8%
NAVAJO	0	118	63	4	185	2.2%
PIMA	12	929	417	36	1,394	16.1%
PINAL	4	288	124	23	439	5.1%
SANTA CRUZ	0	30	17	1	48	0.6%
YAVAPAI	6	225	93	17	341	4.0%
YUMA	2	150	72	9	233	2.7%
STATEWIDE	67	5,755	2,478	295	8,595	100.0%
% OF TOTAL	0.8%	67.0%	28.8%	3.4%	100.0%	

**TABLE 28**  
**NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY TYPE OF MALTREATMENT**  
**BY COUNTY THAT RESULTED IN UNSUBSTANTIATION FOR PERIOD OF**  
**APRIL 1, 2012 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2012**

COUNTY	EMOTIONAL ABUSE	NEGLECT	PHYSICAL ABUSE	SEXUAL ABUSE	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	0	37	13	3	53	0.4%
COCHISE	1	255	91	11	358	2.8%
COCONINO	2	185	93	8	288	2.2%
GILA	2	96	28	2	128	1.0%
GRAHAM	1	59	22	1	83	0.6%
GREENLEE	0	14	4	2	20	0.2%
LA PAZ	0	35	17	2	54	0.4%
MARICOPA	48	5,004	2,147	259	7,458	57.9%
MOHAVE	2	361	128	23	514	4.0%
NAVAJO	5	159	58	10	232	1.8%
PIMA	22	1,292	622	64	2,000	15.5%
PINAL	9	574	225	35	843	6.5%
SANTA CRUZ	0	49	28	4	81	0.6%
YAVAPAI	7	310	161	12	490	3.8%
YUMA	2	200	78	19	299	2.3%
STATEWIDE	101	8,630	3,715	455	12,901	100.0%
% OF TOTAL	0.8%	66.9%	28.8%	3.5%	100.0%	

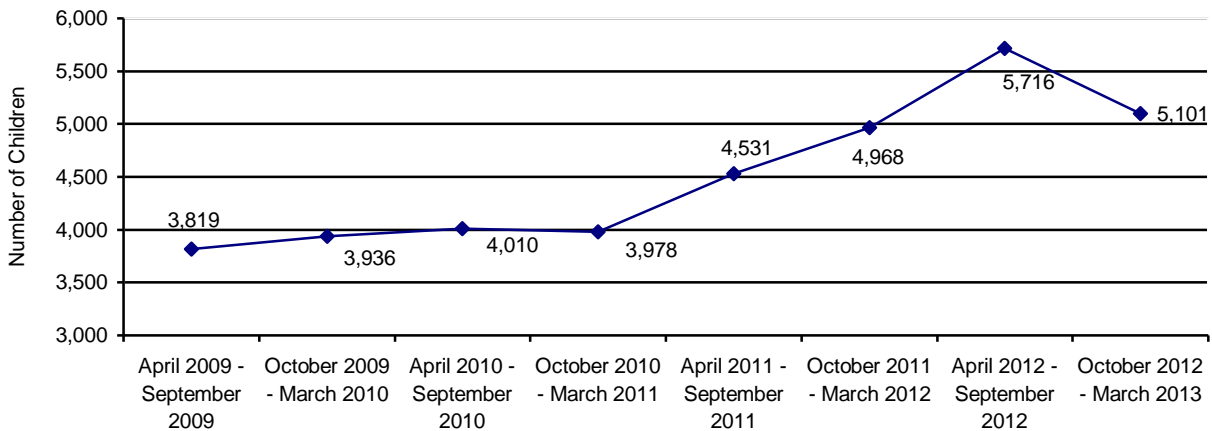
**SAFE HAVEN INFANTS**

Communications from providers indicate that there was one newborn infant delivered to Safe Haven providers during the October 2012 – March 2013 reporting period. This compares to three infants being delivered to Safe Haven providers during the prior reporting period.

**CHILDREN ENTERING OUT-OF-HOME CARE**

During the current reporting period, 5,101 children entered care, which represents a 10.8 percent decrease in children entering care over the prior reporting period and 2.7 percent over the same reporting period last year. Chart 18 displays children entering out-of-home care by reporting period. As you can see from the chart below, the dramatic increase in children entering out-of-home care began at the end of FY 2011. Since that time, the dramatic increase has been sustained, which is a reflection of the growth in the number of reports received by the CPS Hotline (see Chart 1 for number of reports detail). The proportion of new children removed in relation to CPS Hotline reports has consistently been approximately 23 to 25 percent.

**CHART 18  
TOTAL CHILDREN ENTERING OUT-OF-HOME CARE BY REPORTING PERIOD**



**CHILDREN ENTERING OUT-OF-HOME CARE – VOLUNTARY SERVICES**

The number of children entering out-of-home placement through voluntary foster care agreements for the current reporting period was 97, which represents 1.9 percent of the children entering care this reporting period. Information on the county level distribution of voluntary placements into out-of-home care can be found in Table 29 for the current reporting period and in Table 30 for the prior reporting period.

Voluntary foster care may be provided when the parents or legal guardians of a child have requested such assistance and have signed a legally binding written agreement for the temporary placement of the child in foster care while risk factors are addressed to enable the child to live safely at home. A.R.S. § 8-806 authorizes the Department to provide voluntary foster care placement for children for a period not to exceed 90 days and no more than twice within 24 consecutive months.

**TABLE 29**  
**NUMBER OF CHILDREN ENTERING OUT-OF-HOME CARE BY COUNTY WHO ARE**  
**VOLUNTARY PLACEMENTS FOR CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE OF EIGHTEEN FOR THE**  
**PERIOD OF OCTOBER 1, 2012 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2013**

COUNTY	NUMBER OF CHILDREN REMOVED	% OF TOTAL REMOVALS	NUMBER OF CHILDREN ENTERING OUT-OF-HOME CARE UNDER THE AGE OF EIGHTEEN WHO ARE VOLUNTARY PLACEMENTS	% OF CHILDREN REMOVED WHO ARE VOLUNTARY PLACEMENTS
APACHE	10	0.2%	0	0.0%
COCHISE	60	1.2%	0	0.0%
COCONINO	49	1.0%	5	5.2%
GILA	40	0.8%	1	1.0%
GRAHAM	47	0.9%	0	0.0%
GREENLEE	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
LA PAZ	7	0.1%	0	0.0%
MARICOPA	2,927	57.3%	40	41.2%
MOHAVE	124	2.4%	5	5.2%
NAVAJO	62	1.2%	2	2.1%
PIMA	1,281	25.1%	27	27.8%
PINAL	254	5.0%	2	2.1%
SANTA CRUZ	15	0.3%	0	0.0%
YAVAPAI	115	2.3%	14	14.4%
YUMA	110	2.2%	1	1.0%
STATEWIDE	5,101	100.0%	97	100.0%

**TABLE 30**  
**NUMBER OF CHILDREN ENTERING OUT-OF-HOME CARE BY COUNTY WHO ARE**  
**VOLUNTARY PLACEMENTS FOR CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE OF EIGHTEEN FOR THE**  
**PERIOD OF APRIL 1, 2012 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2012**

COUNTY	NUMBER OF CHILDREN REMOVED	% OF TOTAL REMOVALS	NUMBER OF CHILDREN ENTERING OUT-OF-HOME CARE UNDER THE AGE OF EIGHTEEN WHO ARE VOLUNTARY PLACEMENTS	% OF CHILDREN REMOVED WHO ARE VOLUNTARY PLACEMENTS
APACHE	29	0.5%	0	0.0%
COCHISE	102	1.8%	6	5.2%
COCONINO	52	0.9%	6	5.2%
GILA	73	1.3%	4	3.5%
GRAHAM	34	0.6%	0	0.0%
GREENLEE	1	<0.1%	0	0.0%
LA PAZ	19	0.3%	0	0.0%
MARICOPA	3,238	56.6%	52	44.7%
MOHAVE	130	2.3%	4	3.5%
NAVAJO	68	1.2%	4	3.5%
PIMA	1,442	25.2%	32	27.5%
PINAL	313	5.5%	0	0.0%
SANTA CRUZ	3	0.1%	0	0.0%
YAVAPAI	121	2.1%	7	6.0%
YUMA	91	1.6%	1	0.9%
STATEWIDE	5,716	100.0%	116	100.0%

**NUMBER OF CHILDREN ENTERING OUT-OF-HOME CARE**

The total number of children entering out-of-home care (of which voluntary placements are a subset) in the current reporting period was 5,101, which represents a 10.8 percent decrease in the total number of children entering out-of-home care from the prior reporting period. Chart 19 displays the number of removed children, and then further differentiates new removals by providing the number with a prior removal in the past 12 months and the past 12 to 24 months. Information on the county level distribution of children entering out-of-home care can be found in Table 31 for the current period and Table 32 for the prior period.

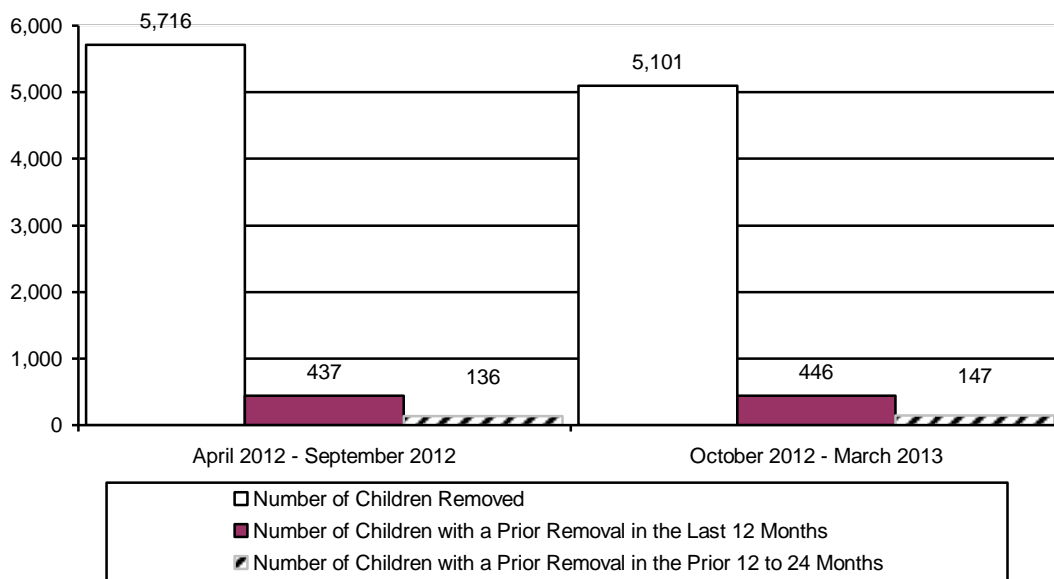
**TABLE 31  
NUMBER OF CHILDREN ENTERING OUT-OF-HOME CARE BY COUNTY FOR THE  
PERIOD OF OCTOBER 1, 2012 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2013**

COUNTY	NUMBER OF CHILDREN REMOVED	% OF TOTAL REMOVALS	NUMBER OF CHILDREN WITH A PRIOR REMOVAL IN THE LAST 12 MONTHS	% OF CHILDREN WITH A PRIOR REMOVAL IN THE LAST 12 MONTHS	NUMBER OF CHILDREN WITH A REMOVAL IN THE PRIOR 12 TO 24 MONTHS	% OF CHILDREN WITH A PRIOR REMOVAL IN THE PRIOR 12 TO 24 MONTHS
APACHE	10	0.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
COCHISE	60	1.2%	4	6.7%	2	3.3%
COCONINO	49	1.0%	2	4.1%	1	2.0%
GILA	40	0.8%	10	25.0%	0	0.0%
GRAHAM	47	0.9%	3	6.4%	2	4.3%
GREENLEE	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
LA PAZ	7	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
MARICOPA	2,927	57.3%	258	8.8%	70	2.4%
MOHAVE	124	2.4%	16	12.9%	3	2.4%
NAVAJO	62	1.2%	1	1.6%	5	8.1%
PIMA	1,281	25.1%	133	10.4%	54	4.2%
PINAL	254	5.0%	12	4.7%	10	3.9%
SANTA CRUZ	15	0.3%	1	6.7%	0	0.0%
YAVAPAI	115	2.3%	6	5.2%	0	0.0%
YUMA	110	2.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
STATEWIDE	5,101	100.0%	446	8.7%	147	2.9%

**TABLE 32**  
**NUMBER OF CHILDREN ENTERING OUT-OF-HOME CARE BY COUNTY FOR THE**  
**PERIOD OF APRIL 1, 2012 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2012**

COUNTY	NUMBER OF CHILDREN REMOVED	% OF TOTAL REMOVALS	NUMBER OF CHILDREN WITH A PRIOR REMOVAL IN THE LAST 12 MONTHS	% OF CHILDREN WITH A PRIOR REMOVAL IN THE LAST 12 MONTHS	NUMBER OF CHILDREN WITH A REMOVAL IN THE PRIOR 12 TO 24 MONTHS	% OF CHILDREN WITH A PRIOR REMOVAL IN THE PRIOR 12 TO 24 MONTHS
APACHE	29	0.5%	1	3.4%	0	0.0%
COCHISE	102	1.8%	12	11.8%	10	9.8%
COCONINO	52	0.9%	7	13.5%	0	0.0%
GILA	73	1.3%	3	4.1%	0	0.0%
GRAHAM	34	0.6%	5	14.7%	5	14.7%
GREENLEE	1	<0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
LA PAZ	19	0.3%	1	5.3%	0	0.0%
MARICOPA	3,238	56.6%	188	5.8%	59	1.8%
MOHAVE	130	2.3%	18	13.8%	3	2.3%
NAVAJO	68	1.2%	16	23.5%	1	1.5%
PIMA	1,442	25.2%	144	10.0%	40	2.8%
PINAL	313	5.5%	33	10.5%	11	3.5%
SANTA CRUZ	3	0.1%	1	33.3%	0	0.0%
YAVAPAI	121	2.1%	6	5.0%	7	5.8%
YUMA	91	1.6%	2	2.2%	0	0.0%
STATEWIDE	5,716	100.0%	437	7.6%	136	2.4%

**CHART 19**  
**NUMBER OF CHILDREN ENTERING OUT-OF-HOME CARE BY REPORTING PERIOD**



**CHILDREN IN OUT-OF-HOME CARE**

Chart 20 below shows the number of children in out-of-home care on the final day of the current and past reporting periods.

On the final day of the current reporting period, 11,609 (81.0 percent) children were placed in family settings either with relatives or in foster homes. Placement information for children in out-of-home care for the current and prior reporting periods can be found in Chart 27. See Table 33 for the out-of-home population organized to show the number of children, grouped by age, in each placement type for the current reporting period.

For information on the age distribution of children in out-of-home care see Chart 24, which displays this information for the current and prior reporting periods. The ethnicity of children in out-of-home care for the current and prior reporting periods is displayed in Chart 25.

**CHART 20  
NUMBER OF CHILDREN IN OUT-OF-HOME CARE ON THE LAST DAY OF THE  
REPORTING PERIOD BY REPORTING PERIOD**

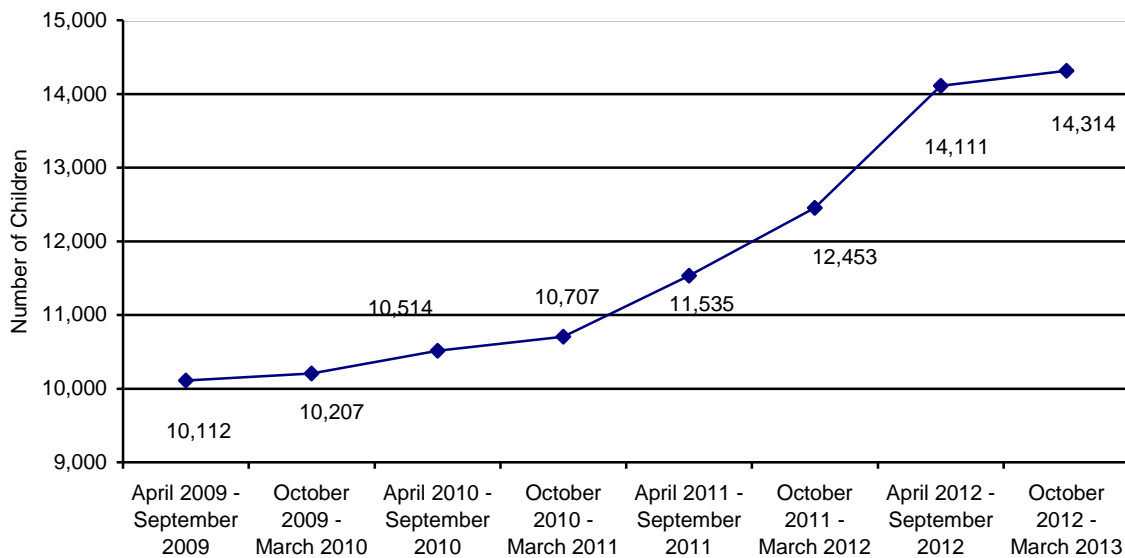
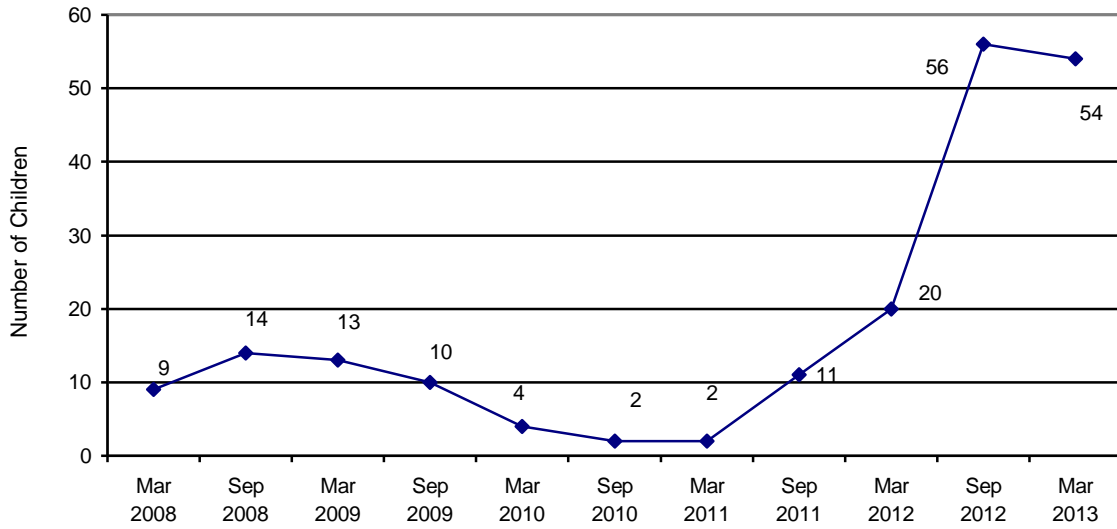


Chart 21 displays an increase in the number of young children ages 0-6 placed in group homes. Comparing March 2008 to March 2013, the number of young children in group homes increased by 45 children.

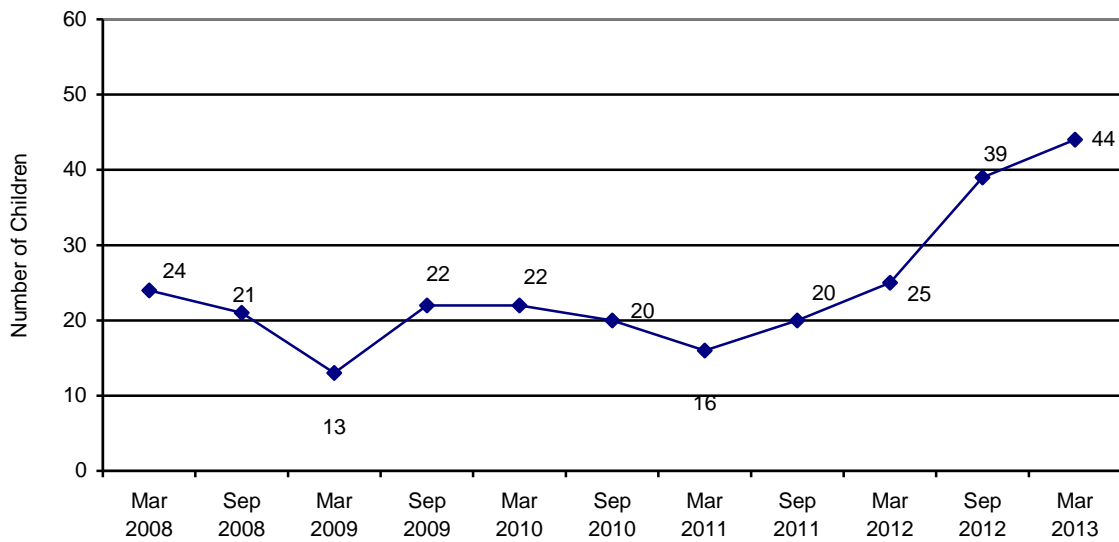
Chart 22 displays the increase in the number of young children ages 0-3 placed in shelter care. Comparing March 2008 to March 2013, the number of young children in shelters increased by 20 children. Chart 23 shows that the average length of time in shelter care has increased; comparing March 2008 to March 2013, the average length of stay in shelter increased from 103.4 to 127.9 days, an increase of 24.5 days or 23.7 percent.



**CHART 21**  
**THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN IN GROUP HOMES AGES 0 THROUGH 6<sup>3</sup>**

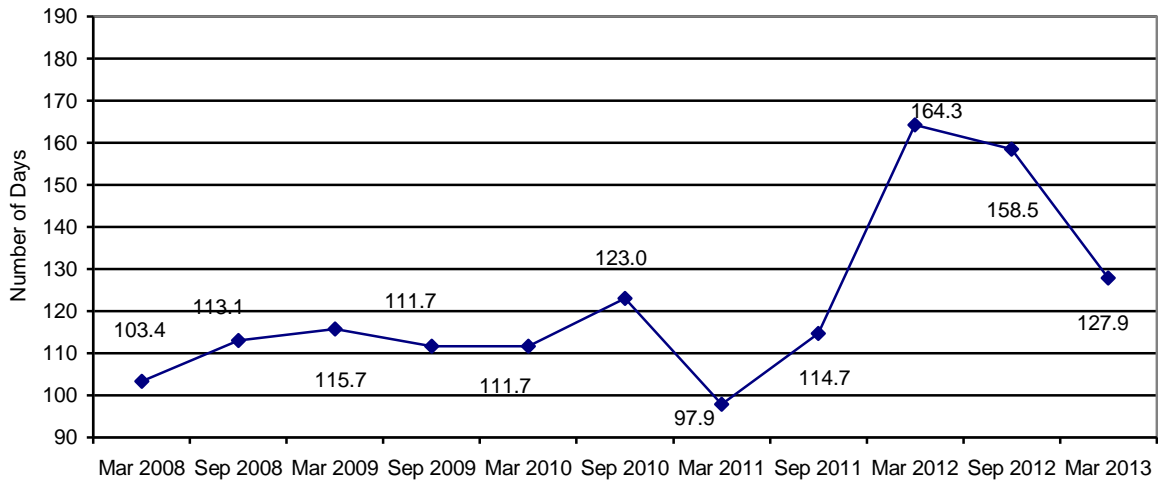


**CHART 22**  
**THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN IN SHELTER CARE AGES 0 THROUGH 3**

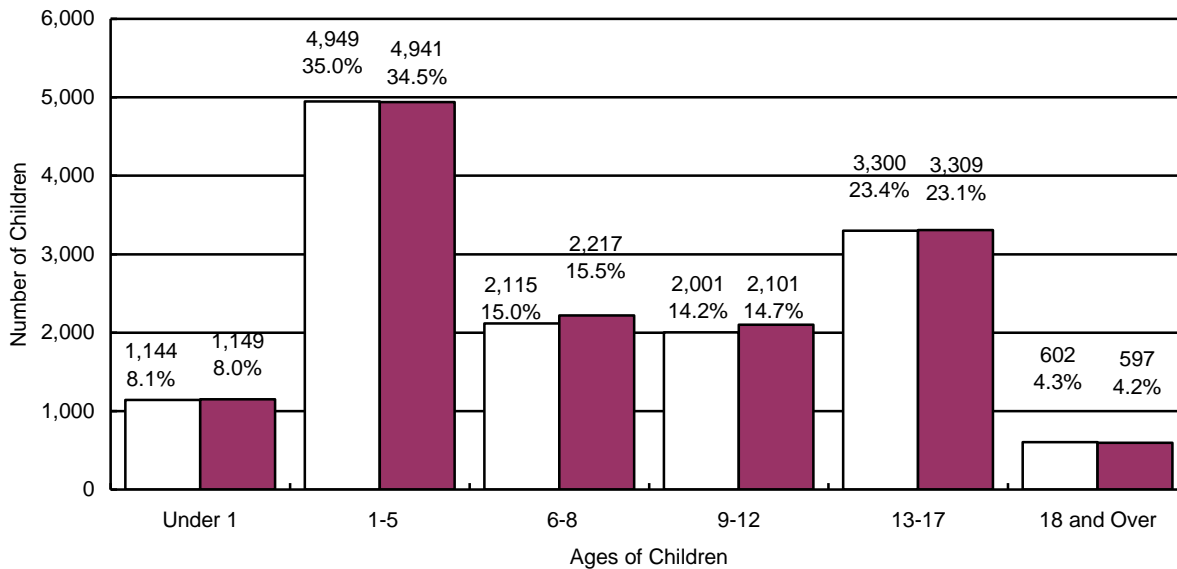


<sup>3</sup> Excludes infants placed with their mothers and children placed in foster home group models.

**CHART 23**  
**THE AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY FOR CHILDREN AGES 0 TO 3 IN A SHELTER PLACEMENT ON THE LAST DAY OF THE REPORTING PERIOD**

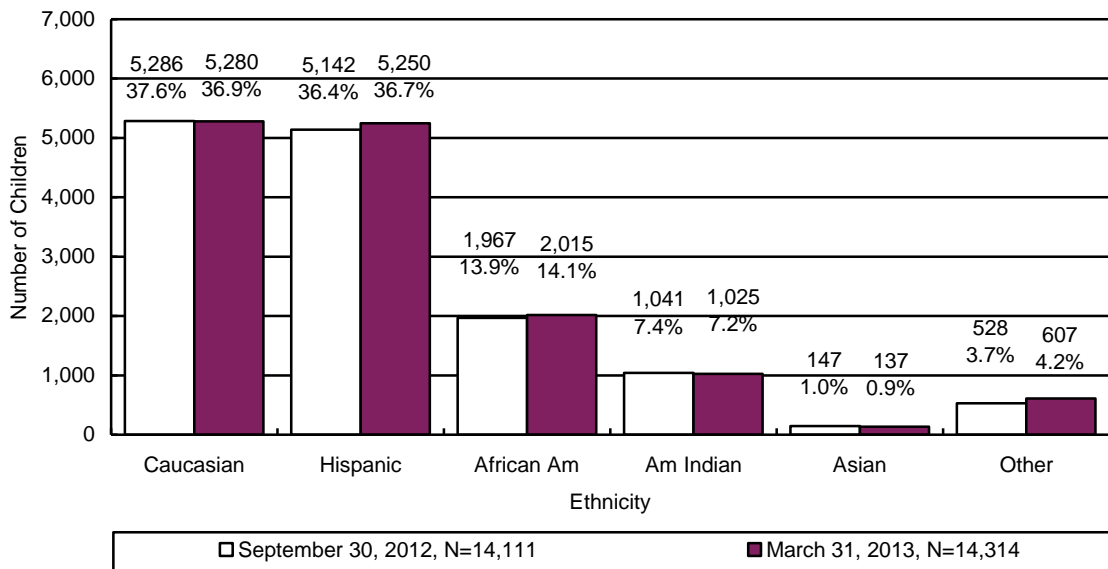


**CHART 24**  
**THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN IN OUT-OF-HOME CARE BY AGE**



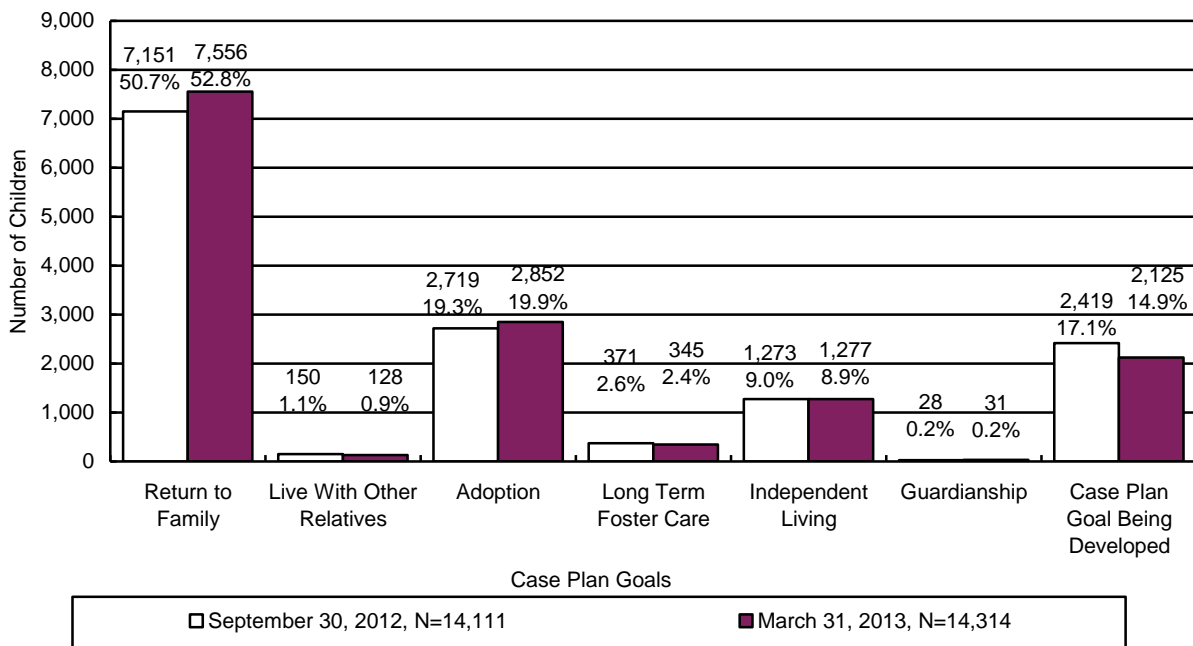
September 30, 2012, N=14,111
  March 31, 2013, N=14,314

**CHART 25**  
**THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN IN OUT-OF-HOME CARE BY ETHNICITY**

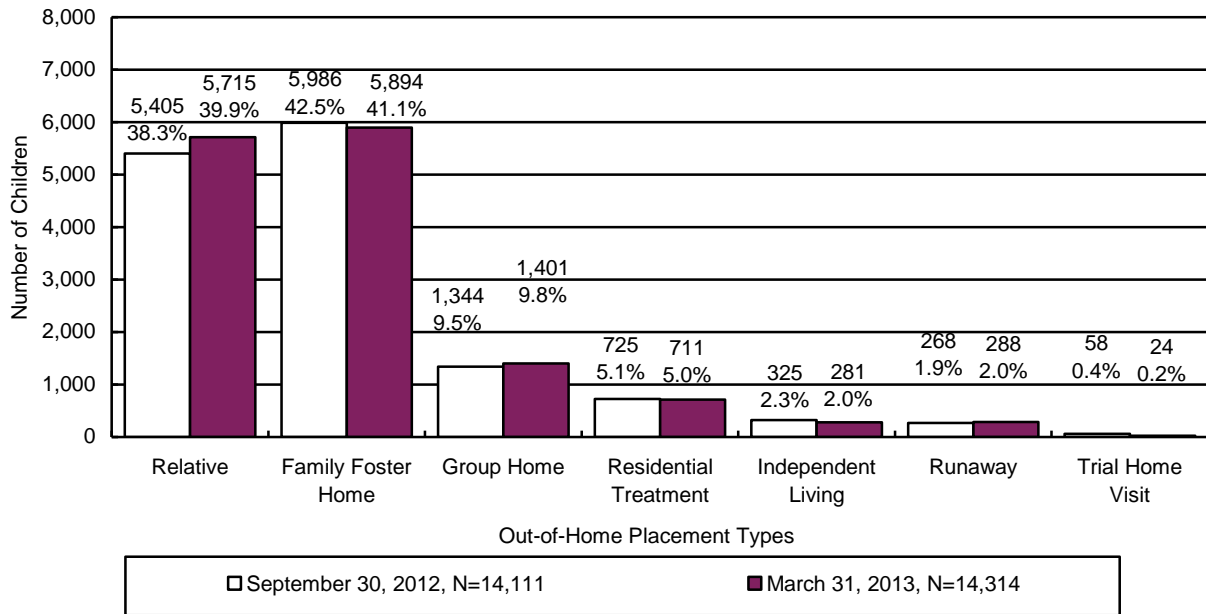


For 52.8 percent of the children in out-of-home care, family reunification remains the primary case plan goal. See Chart 26 for additional detail on the case plan goals of children in out-of-home care.

**CHART 26**  
**THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN IN OUT-OF-HOME CARE BY CASE PLAN GOAL**



**CHART 27**  
**THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN IN OUT-OF-HOME CARE BY PLACEMENT TYPE**



**TABLE 33  
THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN IN OUT-OF-HOME CARE BY PLACEMENT TYPE AND AGE**

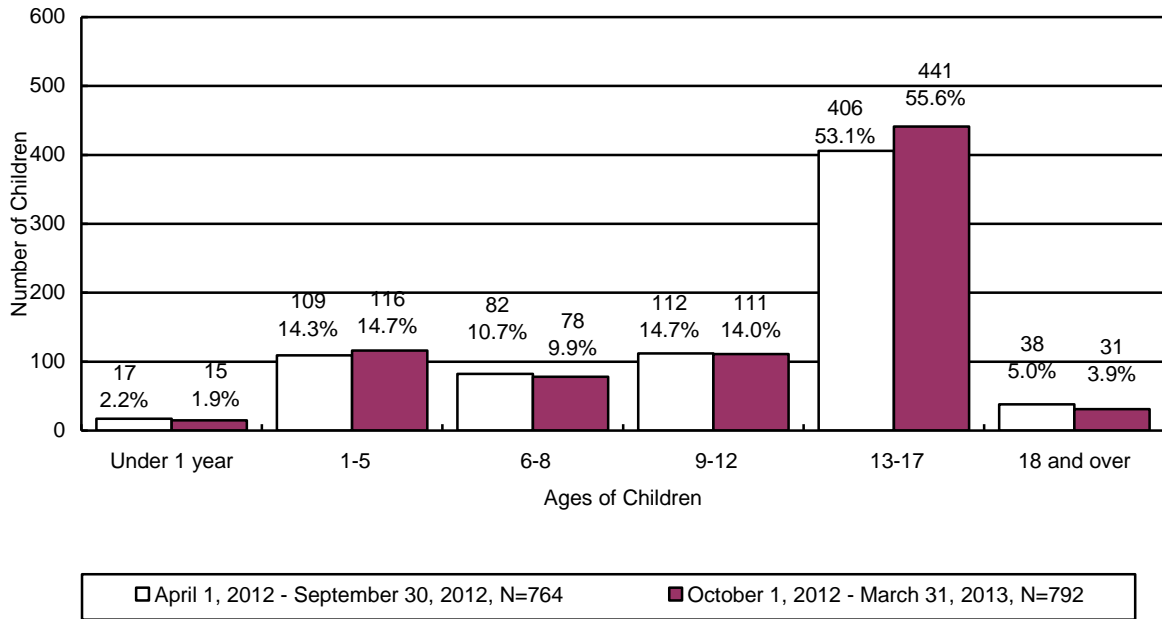
	RELATIVE	FAMILY FOSTER	GROUP HOME	RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT <sup>4</sup>	INDEPENDENT LIVING	RUNAWAY / ABSCONDED <sup>5</sup>	TRIAL HOME VISIT	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
<b>UNDER 1</b>	483	646	6	12	0	1	1	1,149	7.9%
<b>1</b>	535	662	5	12	0	2	1	1,217	8.4%
<b>2</b>	487	503	6	12	0	0	2	1,010	7.1%
<b>3</b>	469	439	13	11	0	3	2	937	6.6%
<b>4</b>	428	443	17	12	0	0	3	903	6.3%
<b>5</b>	437	397	17	20	0	1	2	874	6.1%
<b>6</b>	360	411	31	14	0	0	1	817	5.7%
<b>7</b>	379	328	37	10	0	0	2	756	5.3%
<b>8</b>	330	261	43	9	0	0	1	644	4.5%
<b>9</b>	298	242	41	13	0	0	0	594	4.2%
<b>10</b>	240	204	54	21	0	0	0	519	3.6%
<b>11</b>	237	193	56	20	0	1	0	507	3.5%
<b>12</b>	183	187	83	25	0	1	2	481	3.4%
<b>13</b>	154	156	104	39	0	5	2	460	3.2%
<b>14</b>	191	176	132	69	0	28	1	597	4.2%
<b>15</b>	165	176	180	87	0	30	1	639	4.5%
<b>16</b>	165	202	243	104	0	69	2	785	5.5%
<b>17</b>	139	191	259	121	5	112	1	828	5.8%
<b>18 AND OLDER</b>	35	77	74	100	276	35	0	597	4.2%
<b>TOTAL</b>	5,715	5,894	1,401	711	281	288	24	14,314	100.0%
<b>% OF TOTAL</b>	39.9%	41.1%	9.8%	5.0%	2.0%	2.0%	0.2%	100.0%	

<sup>4</sup> This category includes shelter, detention, and hospital placement types.

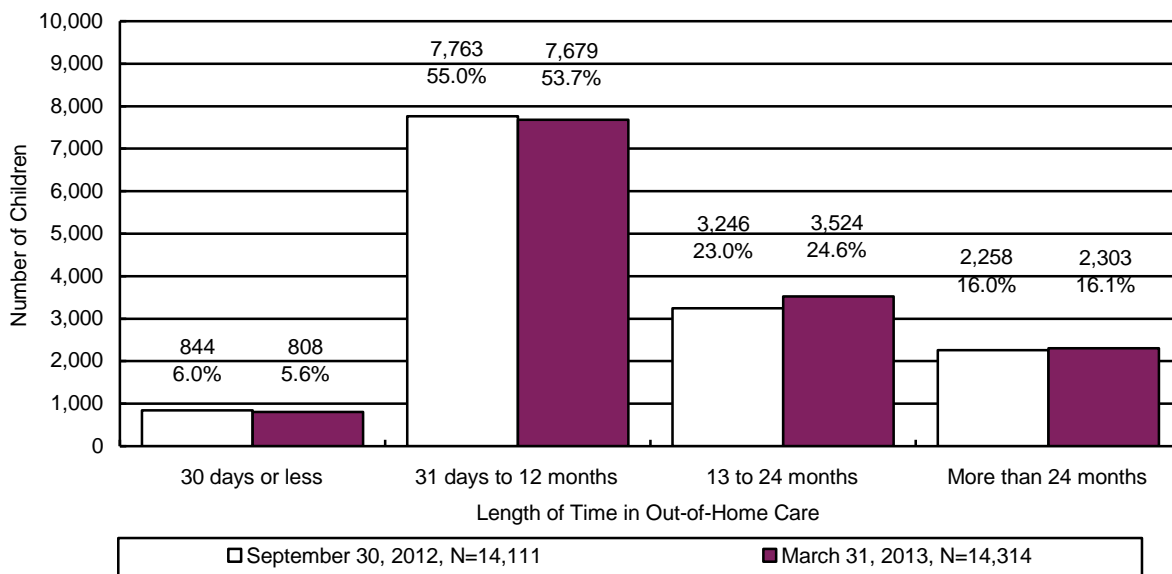
<sup>5</sup> This category includes children whose parents absconded with the child(ren) during this reporting period.

During the reporting period 792 children remained in a shelter or receiving home for more than 21 consecutive days. Chart 28 displays children by age grouping who remained in shelter more than 21 days for the current reporting period.

**CHART 28**  
**NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF CHILDREN IN SHELTER OR RECEIVING HOMES FOR MORE THAN 21 CONSECUTIVE DAYS BY AGE OF CHILD<sup>6</sup>**



**CHART 29**  
**THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN IN OUT-OF-HOME CARE BY LENGTH OF TIME IN CARE**



<sup>6</sup> The chart displays children who spent more than 21 days in shelter during the period. This number differs from the other out-of-home charts as they display children in out-of-home care on the last day of the reporting period.

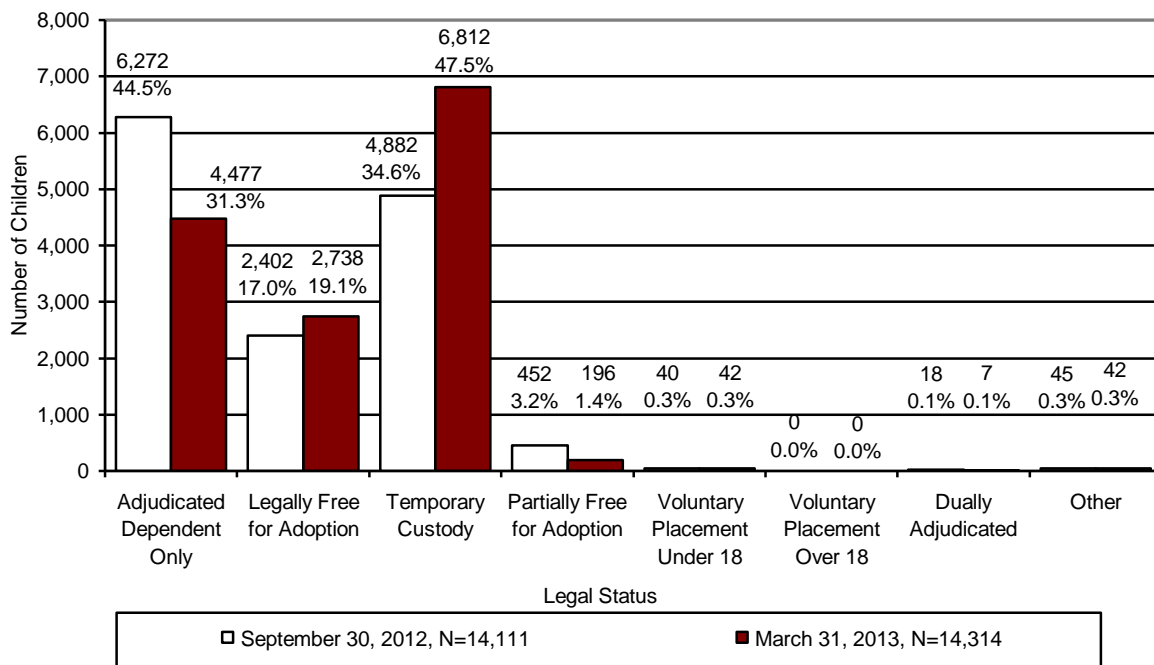
Information on the number of placements in terms of the average, median, and range for children in out-of-home care on the last day of the reporting period is shown in Table 34.

**TABLE 34  
PLACEMENT INFORMATION FOR CHILDREN IN  
OUT-OF-HOME CARE ON MARCH 31, 2013**

	Placements
<b>Average</b>	2.4
<b>Median</b>	2.0
<b>Range Minimum</b>	1
<b>Range Maximum</b>	50 <sup>7</sup>

Chart 30 displays the legal status of the children in out-of-home care for the current and prior reporting periods. As is shown by the graph, the vast majority of children in out-of-home care fall into one of three legal status – adjudicated dependent, legally free for adoption, and children in the Department’s temporary custody.

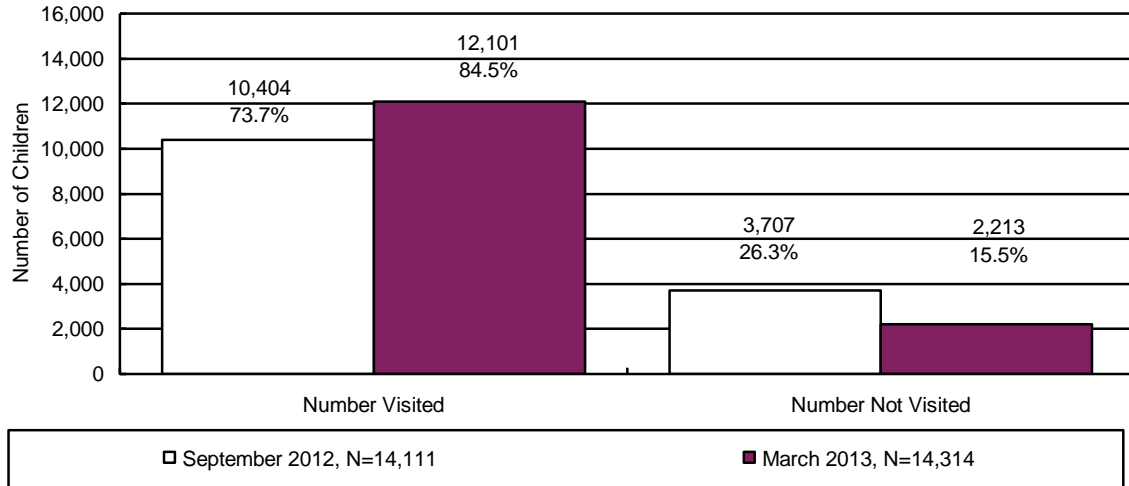
**CHART 30  
CHILDREN IN OUT-OF-HOME CARE BY LEGAL STATUS**



<sup>7</sup> Some children are so impacted by the severity of the abuse they have suffered that they become unable to form meaningful relationships or to respond to services. These children tend to go through multiple placements with numerous individuals and agencies.

At the end of the reporting period there were 14,314 children in out-of-home care who required visitation. Of these children, visitation was accurately documented in the automated system for 12,101 children.

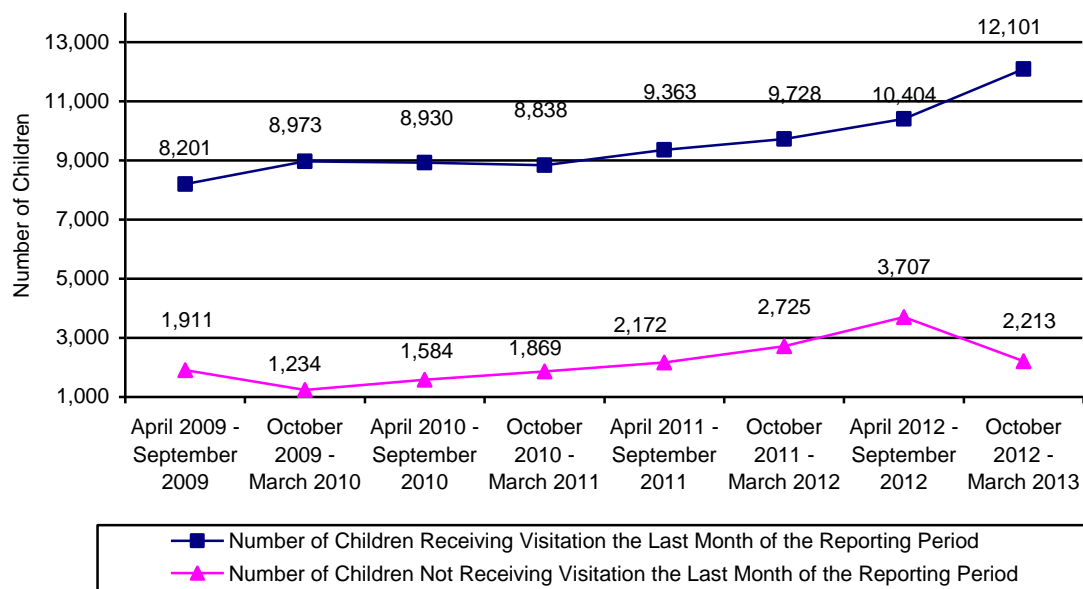
**CHART 31  
THE NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF CHILDREN WHO RECEIVED THE REQUIRED VISITATION**



Division for Children, Youth and Families policy requires CPS specialists to have face-to-face contact with all parents at least once a month, including any alleged parents and parents residing outside of the child’s home where the case plan goal is family reunification. During the current reporting period, there were 2,078 parents who had a child with the case plan goal of return home. Of those parents requiring visitation, 1,058 (50.9 percent) received the required visitation. This number does not reflect attempted visitation where contact with the parent(s) did not take place.



**CHART 32  
NUMBER OF CHILDREN RECEIVING AND NOT RECEIVING VISITATION BY REPORTING PERIOD**



**FOSTER HOME LICENSING, CLOSURES, & VISITATION**

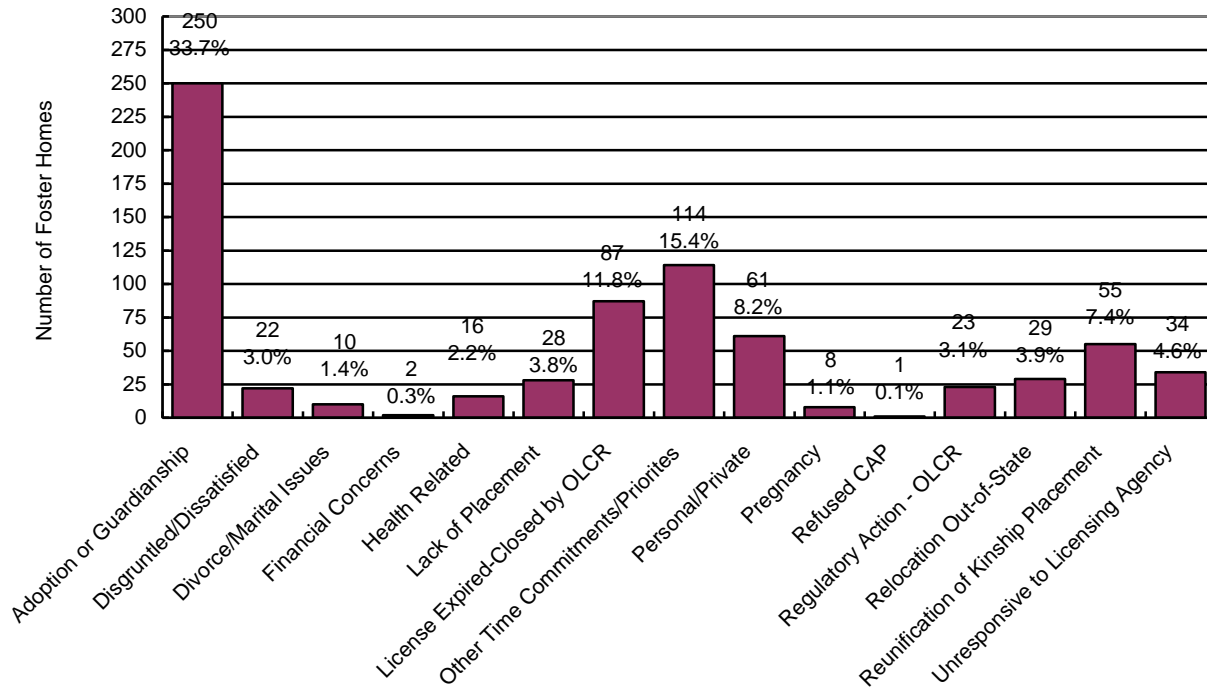
As of March 31, 2013, there were 3,576<sup>8</sup> foster homes licensed for a total capacity of 8,579 spaces. Of the spaces, 2,152 are reported by contractors to be unavailable for placements. In addition, 1,051 spaces in available foster homes were unused spaces. This occurs when a match between the available spaces and children’s needs was not possible.

Licensed foster homes include family foster homes, professional family foster homes, respite foster homes, receiving foster homes, and developmentally disabled homes with DCYF children placed in them. Foster home licenses specify the age range, gender and maximum number of children that can be placed in a home. Foster parents, in consultation with the licensing worker, decide the type of physical, behavioral, and psychological needs of children they can effectively parent based upon their own skill level, experiences, and desires.

During the current reporting period, 722 new homes were licensed to provide foster care and 740 homes left the system. This compares to 999 new homes being licensed and 747 homes leaving the system during the prior reporting period. The following chart gives the reasons for foster home closures for the current reporting period.

<sup>8</sup> The number of homes cited in this report differs from the number cited by the Office of Licensing, Certification & Regulation (OLCR) due to the fact that the Division for Children, Youth & Families utilizes foster homes that are licensed for developmental disabilities, licensed by the tribes, etc.

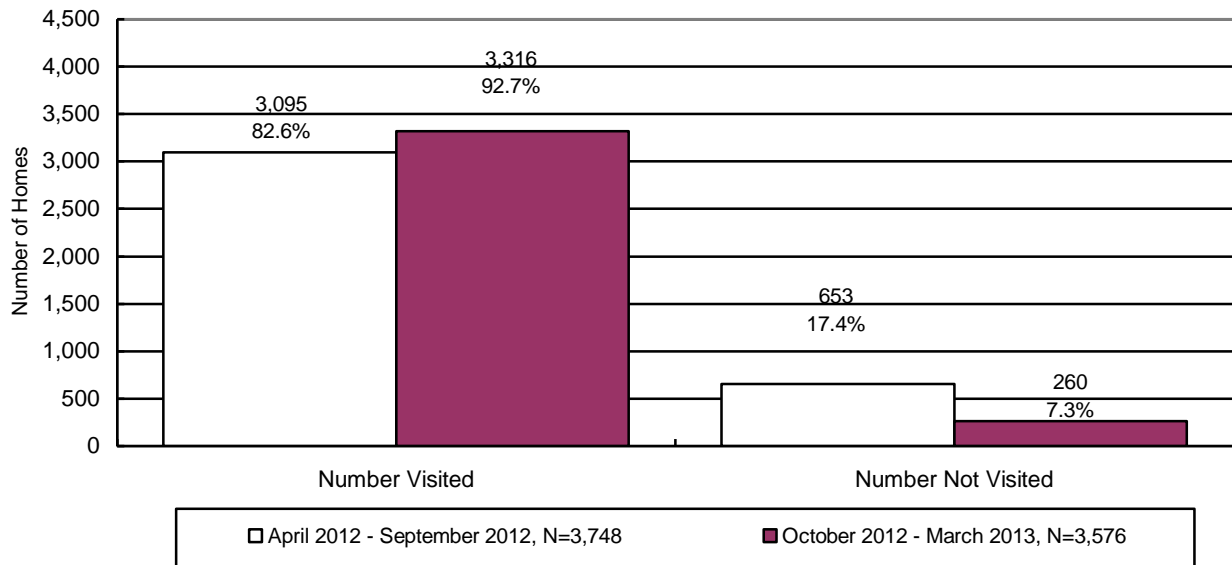
**CHART 33**  
**REASON FOR FOSTER HOME CLOSURE FOR THE PERIOD OF**  
**APRIL 1, 2012 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2012**



N= 740

Chart 34 displays the number of foster homes that received the required visitation in the current and prior reporting periods. The Department believes that more foster homes received the required visitation than is indicated in the chart below. The under-reporting of foster home visitation is attributable to the lack of automation being used in reporting the foster home visitation process. The Department recognizes this as a problem and is working to correct this issue.

**CHART 34  
THE NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF FOSTER HOMES WHO RECEIVED THE  
REQUIRED VISITATION\***



\*Required visitations to foster homes, for license monitoring purposes, are performed by licensing case managers.

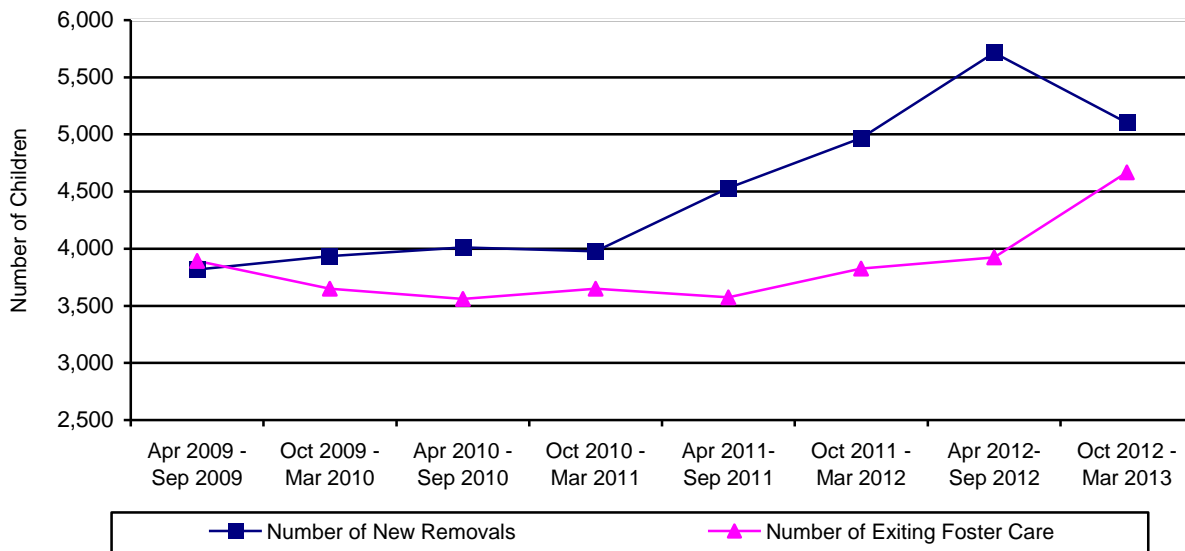
**CHILDREN EXITING OUT-OF-HOME CARE**

Table 35 below shows the history of the number of children who left the custody of the Department. As is shown below, for the past eight reporting periods the number of children exiting care has continued to increase.

**TABLE 35  
CHILDREN EXITING OUT-OF-HOME CARE BY PERIOD**

REPORTING PERIOD	NUMBER OF CHILDREN DISCHARGED	% CHANGE OVER PRIOR PERIOD
APRIL 2009 – SEPTEMBER 2009	3,894	+8.5%
OCTOBER 2009 – MARCH 2010	3,650	-6.3%
APRIL 2010 – SEPTEMBER 2010	3,559	-2.5%
OCTOBER 2010 – MARCH 2011	3,649	+2.5%
APRIL 2011 – SEPTEMBER 2011	3,574	-2.1%
OCTOBER 2011 – MARCH 2012	3,826	+7.1%
APRIL 2012 – SEPTEMBER 2012	3,923	+2.5%
OCTOBER 2012 – MARCH 2013	4,668	+19.0%

**CHART 35  
CHILDREN ENTERING AND EXITING OUT-OF-HOME CARE BY REPORTING PERIOD**



The following nine tables depict the children who exited out-of-home care by reason. The tables display the following information: reasons the child left custody, their age, their ethnicity, the number of placements each child had, and the length of time in out-of-home care.

**TABLE 36  
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHILDREN EXITING DES CUSTODY FOR THE END OF THE  
REPORTING PERIOD ENDING ON MARCH 31, 2013**

<b>By Age</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Under 1	255	5.5%
Ages 1 to 5	1,763	37.7%
Ages 6 to 8	739	15.8%
Ages 9 to 12	654	14.0%
Ages 13 to 17	862	18.5%
18 and Over	395	8.5%
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,668</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>Ethnicity</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Caucasian	1,779	38.1%
Hispanic	1,661	35.6%
African American	644	13.8%
American Indian	353	7.6%
Asian	67	1.4%
Other	164	3.5%
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,668</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>By Number of Placements</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
One	2,522	54.1%
Two	1,083	23.2%
Three	501	10.7%
Four	221	4.7%
Five	123	2.6%
More than Five	218	4.7%
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,668</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>By Length of Time in Care</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Less than 30 Days	751	16.1%
31 Days to 12 Months	1,697	36.4%
13 to 24 Months	1,304	27.9%
More than 24 Months	916	19.6%
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,668</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

	<b>Average</b>	<b>Median</b>
<b>By Age</b>	8.4	7.2
<b>By Number of Placements</b>	2.1	1.0
<b>By Months of Time in Care</b>	15.3	12.2

**TABLE 37**  
**NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF CHILDREN EXITING DES CUSTODY**  
**FOR REASON OF "REUNIFICATION WITH PARENTS OR PRIMARY CARETAKER" FOR**  
**THE REPORTING PERIOD ENDING MARCH 31, 2013**

<b>By Age</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Under 1	190	7.5%
Ages 1 to 5	955	37.8%
Ages 6 to 8	431	17.0%
Ages 9 to 12	396	15.6%
Ages 13 to 17	556	21.9%
18 and Over	6	0.2%
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,534</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>Ethnicity</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Caucasian	927	36.6%
Hispanic	888	35.0%
African American	360	14.2%
American Indian	188	7.4%
Asian	37	1.5%
Other	134	5.3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,534</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>By Number of Placements</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
One	1,529	60.3%
Two	578	22.8%
Three	250	9.9%
Four	92	3.6%
Five	43	1.7%
More than Five	42	1.7%
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,534</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>By Length of Time in Care</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Less than 30 Days	643	25.4%
31 Days to 12 Months	1,326	52.3%
13 to 24 Months	475	18.7%
More than 24 Months	90	3.6%
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,534</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

	<b>Average</b>	<b>Median</b>
<b>By Age</b>	7.8	6.7
<b>By Number of Placements</b>	1.7	1.0
<b>By Months of Time in Care</b>	8.1	6.8

**TABLE 38  
NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF CHILDREN EXITING DES CUSTODY  
FOR REASON OF "LIVING WITH OTHER RELATIVES" FOR THE REPORTING PERIOD  
ENDING MARCH 31, 2013**

<b>By Age</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Under 1	6	14.0%
Ages 1 to 5	11	25.6%
Ages 6 to 8	4	9.3%
Ages 9 to 12	13	30.2%
Ages 13 to 17	9	20.9%
18 and Over	0	0.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>Ethnicity</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Caucasian	8	18.6%
Hispanic	26	60.4%
African American	6	14.0%
American Indian	2	4.7%
Asian	0	0.0%
Other	1	2.3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>By Number of Placements</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
One	35	81.3%
Two	6	14.0%
Three	2	4.7%
Four	0	0.0%
Five	0	0.0%
More than Five	0	0.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>By Length of Time in Care</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Less than 30 Days	32	74.5%
31 Days to 12 Months	5	11.6%
13 to 24 Months	5	11.6%
More than 24 Months	1	2.3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

	<b>Average</b>	<b>Median</b>
<b>By Age</b>	8.3	9.0
<b>By Number of Placements</b>	1.1	1.0
<b>By Months of Time in Care</b>	3.0	0.1

**TABLE 39  
NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF CHILDREN EXITING DES  
CUSTODY FOR REASON OF "ADOPTION" FOR THE REPORTING PERIOD  
ENDING MARCH 31, 2013**

<b>By Age</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Under 1	36	2.8%
Ages 1 to 5	702	55.3%
Ages 6 to 8	243	19.1%
Ages 9 to 12	173	13.6%
Ages 13 to 17	115	9.1%
18 and Over	1	0.1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,270</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>Ethnicity</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Caucasian	545	42.9%
Hispanic	485	38.2%
African American	157	12.4%
American Indian	52	4.1%
Asian	23	1.8%
Other	8	0.6%
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,270</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>By Number of Placements</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
One	615	48.4%
Two	354	27.9%
Three	147	11.6%
Four	71	5.6%
Five	42	3.3%
More than Five	41	3.2%
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,270</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>By Length of Time in Care</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Less than 30 Days	0	0.0%
31 Days to 12 Months	108	8.5%
13 to 24 Months	601	47.3%
More than 24 Months	561	44.2%
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,270</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

	<b>Average</b>	<b>Median</b>
<b>By Age</b>	6.0	4.9
<b>By Number of Placements</b>	2.0	2.0
<b>By Months of Time in Care</b>	24.1	22.5



**TABLE 40  
NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF CHILDREN EXITING DES CUSTODY  
FOR REASON OF "GUARDIANSHIP" FOR THE REPORTING PERIOD  
ENDING MARCH 31, 2013**

<b>By Age</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Under 1	6	1.8%
Ages 1 to 5	67	19.6%
Ages 6 to 8	55	16.1%
Ages 9 to 12	66	19.4%
Ages 13 to 17	146	42.8%
18 and Over	1	0.3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>341</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>Ethnicity</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Caucasian	127	37.2%
Hispanic	116	34.0%
African American	35	10.3%
American Indian	48	14.1%
Asian	2	0.6%
Other	13	3.8%
<b>Total</b>	<b>341</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>By Number of Placements</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
One	218	63.9%
Two	71	20.8%
Three	32	9.4%
Four	10	2.9%
Five	4	1.2%
More than Five	6	1.8%
<b>Total</b>	<b>341</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>By Length of Time in Care</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Less than 30 Days	36	10.6%
31 Days to 12 Months	131	38.3%
13 to 24 Months	125	36.7%
More than 24 Months	49	14.4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>341</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

	<b>Average</b>	<b>Median</b>
<b>By Age</b>	10.7	11.6
<b>By Number of Placements</b>	1.7	1.0
<b>By Months of Time in Care</b>	14.5	13.1

**TABLE 41  
NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF CHILDREN EXITING DES CUSTODY  
FOR REASONS OF "REACHING AGE OF MAJORITY" FOR THE REPORTING PERIOD  
ENDING MARCH 31, 2013**

<b>By Age</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Under 1	0	0.0%
Ages 1 to 5	0	0.0%
Ages 6 to 8	0	0.0%
Ages 9 to 12	0	0.0%
Ages 13 to 17	2	0.5%
18 and Over	379	99.5%
<b>Total</b>	<b>381</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>Ethnicity</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Caucasian	147	38.7%
Hispanic	125	32.8%
African American	72	18.9%
American Indian	28	7.3%
Asian	4	1.0%
Other	5	1.3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>381</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>By Number of Placements</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
One	59	15.5%
Two	62	16.3%
Three	56	14.7%
Four	45	11.8%
Five	32	8.4%
More than Five	127	33.3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>381</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>By Length of Time in Care</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Less than 30 Days	2	0.5%
31 Days to 12 Months	82	21.5%
13 to 24 Months	88	23.1%
More than 24 Months	209	54.9%
<b>Total</b>	<b>381</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

	<b>Average</b>	<b>Median</b>
<b>By Age</b>	18.7	18.1
<b>By Number of Placements</b>	5.4	4.0
<b>By Months of Time in Care</b>	38.6	26.0

**TABLE 42  
NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF CHILDREN EXITING DES CUSTODY  
FOR REASON OF "TRANSFER TO ANOTHER AGENCY" FOR THE REPORTING PERIOD  
ENDING MARCH 31, 2013**

<b>By Age</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Under 1	14	25.0%
Ages 1 to 5	22	39.3%
Ages 6 to 8	6	10.7%
Ages 9 to 12	4	7.1%
Ages 13 to 17	8	14.3%
18 and Over	2	3.6%
<b>Total</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>Ethnicity</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Caucasian	13	23.2%
Hispanic	4	7.1%
African American	5	8.9%
American Indian	32	57.2%
Asian	0	0.0%
Other	2	3.6%
<b>Total</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>By Number of Placements</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
One	40	71.4%
Two	5	8.9%
Three	9	16.1%
Four	2	3.6%
Five	0	0.0%
More than Five	0	0.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>By Length of Time in Care</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Less than 30 Days	24	42.9%
31 Days to 12 Months	26	46.3%
13 to 24 Months	3	5.4%
More than 24 Months	3	5.4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

	<b>Average</b>	<b>Median</b>
<b>By Age</b>	5.8	3.3
<b>By Number of Placements</b>	1.5	1.0
<b>By Months of Time in Care</b>	4.4	2.1

**TABLE 43  
NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF CHILDREN EXITING DES CUSTODY  
FOR REASON OF "RUNAWAY" FOR THE REPORTING PERIOD  
ENDING MARCH 31, 2013**

<b>By Age</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Under 1	0	0.0%
Ages 1 to 5	2	5.9%
Ages 6 to 8	0	0.0%
Ages 9 to 12	0	0.0%
Ages 13 to 17	26	76.5%
18 and Over	6	17.6%
<b>Total</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>Ethnicity</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Caucasian	8	23.5%
Hispanic	15	44.2%
African American	7	20.6%
American Indian	2	5.9%
Asian	1	2.9%
Other	1	2.9%
<b>Total</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>By Number of Placements</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
One	21	61.8%
Two	3	8.8%
Three	5	14.7%
Four	1	2.9%
Five	2	5.9%
More than Five	2	5.9%
<b>Total</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>By Length of Time in Care</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Less than 30 Days	13	38.2%
31 Days to 12 Months	14	41.2%
13 to 24 Months	4	11.8%
More than 24 Months	3	8.8%
<b>Total</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

	<b>Average</b>	<b>Median</b>
<b>By Age</b>	15.8	16.5
<b>By Number of Placements</b>	2.1	1.0
<b>By Months of Time in Care</b>	8.9	4.4

**TABLE 44  
NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF CHILDREN EXITING DES CUSTODY  
FOR REASON OF "DEATH OF CHILD" FOR THE REPORTING PERIOD ENDING  
MARCH 31, 2013**

<b>By Age</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Under 1	3	33.3%
Ages 1 to 5	4	44.4%
Ages 6 to 8	0	0.0%
Ages 9 to 12	2	22.2%
Ages 13 to 17	0	0.0%
18 and Over	0	0.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>Ethnicity</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Caucasian	4	44.4%
Hispanic	2	22.2%
African American	2	22.2%
American Indian	1	11.1%
Asian	0	0.0%
Other	0	0.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>By Number of Placements</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
One	5	55.6%
Two	4	44.4%
Three	0	0.0%
Four	0	0.0%
Five	0	0.0%
More than Five	0	0.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>By Length of Time in Care</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Less than 30 Days	1	11.1%
31 Days to 12 Months	5	55.6%
13 to 24 Months	3	33.3%
More than 24 Months	0	0.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

	<b>Average</b>	<b>Median</b>
<b>By Age</b>	4.2	1.6
<b>By Number of Placements</b>	1.3	1.0
<b>By Months of Time in Care</b>	8.7	6.1

**TABLE 45  
CHILDREN EXITING CARE FOR REASON OF DEATH BY CAUSE OF DEATH,  
PLACEMENT TYPE AT TIME OF DEATH, AND COUNTY**

COUNTY	CAUSE OF DEATH	TYPE OF PLACEMENT AT TIME OF DEATH
Maricopa	Complications associated with Pneumonia	DDD Foster Home
Maricopa	Skull fracture	DDD Group Home
Maricopa	Untreated non-specific illness	Family Foster Home – Relative
Maricopa	Kidney disease	Family Foster Home
Maricopa	Congenital heart disease	Family Foster Home
Maricopa	Sudden Unexpected Death in Infancy	Family Foster Home
Pima	Multiple organ failure (Abuse)	Hospital
Pinal	Drowning	Family Foster Home – Relative
Yavapai	Bone marrow failure	Family Foster Home

**TABLE 46  
NUMBER OF CHILDREN IN AN OPEN CASE WHO DIED AS A RESULT OF ALLEGED  
ABUSE AS CATEGORIZED BY THE CUSTODIAL RELATIONSHIP AND COUNTY FOR THE  
PERIOD OCTOBER 1, 2012 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2013**

COUNTY	BIOLOGICAL PARENT(S)	OTHER FAMILY MEMBER	ADOPTIVE PARENT(S)	FOSTER CARE PARENT(S)	OTHER OUT-OF-HOME CARE PROVIDER	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
COCHISE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
COCONINO	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
GILA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
GRAHAM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
GREENLEE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
LA PAZ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
MARICOPA	1	0	0	0	0	1	25.0%
MOHAVE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
NAVAJO	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
PIMA	1	1	0	0	0	2	50.0%
PINAL	0	1	0	0	0	1	25.0%
SANTA CRUZ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
YAVAPAI	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
YUMA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
STATEWIDE	2	2	0	0	0	4	100.0%
% OF TOTAL	50.0%	50.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%	

The number of child maltreatment deaths presented in the Semi-Annual Report is not comparable to child maltreatment deaths reported by the Arizona Department of Economic Security (ADES).

- ADES posts information in accordance with A.R.S. § 8-807 on child fatalities due to abuse or neglect by the child's parent, custodian or caregiver at: [www.azdes.gov/cpsinfo](http://www.azdes.gov/cpsinfo).
- This information is posted when the information comes to ADES' attention and a final determination of the fatality due to abuse or neglect has been made by either a substantiated finding or specific criminal charges filed against a parent, guardian or caregiver for causing the fatality.

- The information that comes to ADES' attention and the determination of the fatality due to abuse or neglect may occur sometime after the actual incident for a number of reasons including a determination by a medical professional, a medical examiner, or a criminal child abuse arrest and charge of the perpetrator.

### **CHILDREN WITH CASE PLAN GOALS OF ADOPTION**

Of the 14,314 children in out-of-home care on March 31, 2013, 2,852 or 19.9 percent had a case plan goal of adoption. Of those, 1,825 have been placed and another 1,027 have not been placed. The age and ethnicity of the children with a case plan goal of adoption is displayed in Chart 36 and Chart 37.

**TABLE 47**  
**NUMBER OF CHILDREN WITH A PETITION FOR TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS**  
**BY COUNTY FOR THE PERIOD OCTOBER 1, 2012 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2013**

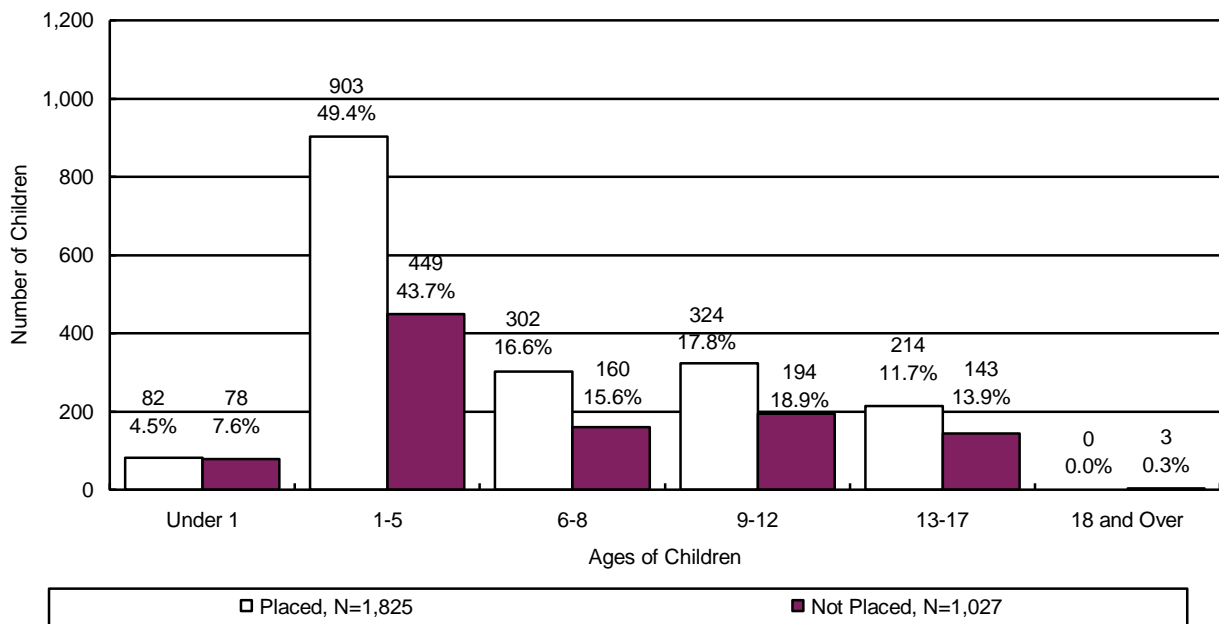
COUNTY	TERMINATION OF RIGHTS GRANTED	TERMINATION OF RIGHTS DENIED	TERMINATION OF RIGHTS GRANTED IN PART/DENIED IN PART	TERMINATION OF RIGHTS WITHDRAWN	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	5	0	0	0	5	0.3%
COCHISE	21	0	0	0	21	1.4%
COCONINO	3	0	0	0	3	0.2%
GILA	6	0	0	0	6	0.4%
GRAHAM	8	0	0	0	8	0.5%
GREENLEE	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
LA PAZ	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
MARICOPA	907	0	0	2	909	61.2%
MOHAVE	44	0	0	1	45	3.0%
NAVAJO	12	0	0	0	12	0.8%
PIMA	338	3	0	1	342	23.0%
PINAL	65	0	0	0	65	4.4%
SANTA CRUZ	1	0	0	0	1	0.1%
YAVAPAI	41	0	0	0	41	2.8%
YUMA	28	0	0	0	28	1.9%
STATEWIDE	1,479	3	0	4	1,486	100.0%
% OF TOTAL	99.5%	0.2%	0.0%	0.3%	100.0%	

The average length of time that a child with a case plan goal of “adoption” has spent in out-of-home care is 1 year 11 months. Information on the number of placements in terms of the average, median, and range for children with a case plan goal of adoption is shown below in Table 48.

**TABLE 48  
PLACEMENT INFORMATION FOR CHILDREN WITH A CASE PLAN GOAL OF ADOPTION**

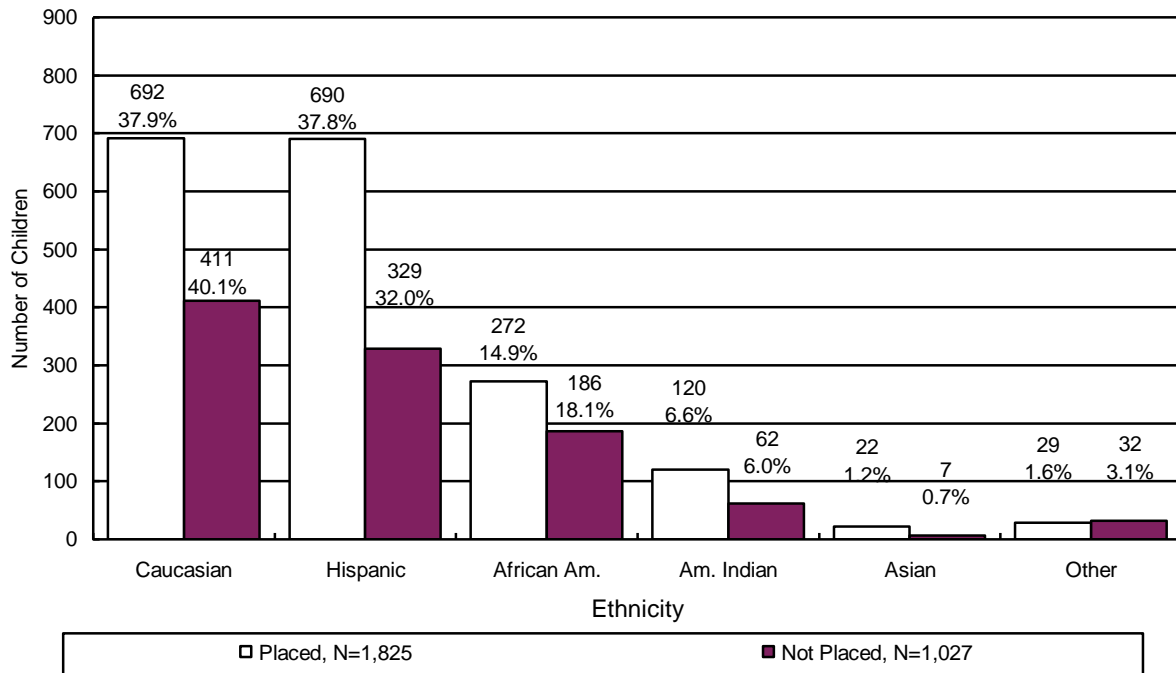
	Placements
<b>Average</b>	2.5
<b>Median</b>	2.0
<b>Range Minimum</b>	1
<b>Range Maximum</b>	32

**CHART 36  
THE PLACEMENT AND NUMBER OF CHILDREN WITH A CASE PLAN GOAL OF ADOPTION BY AGE**

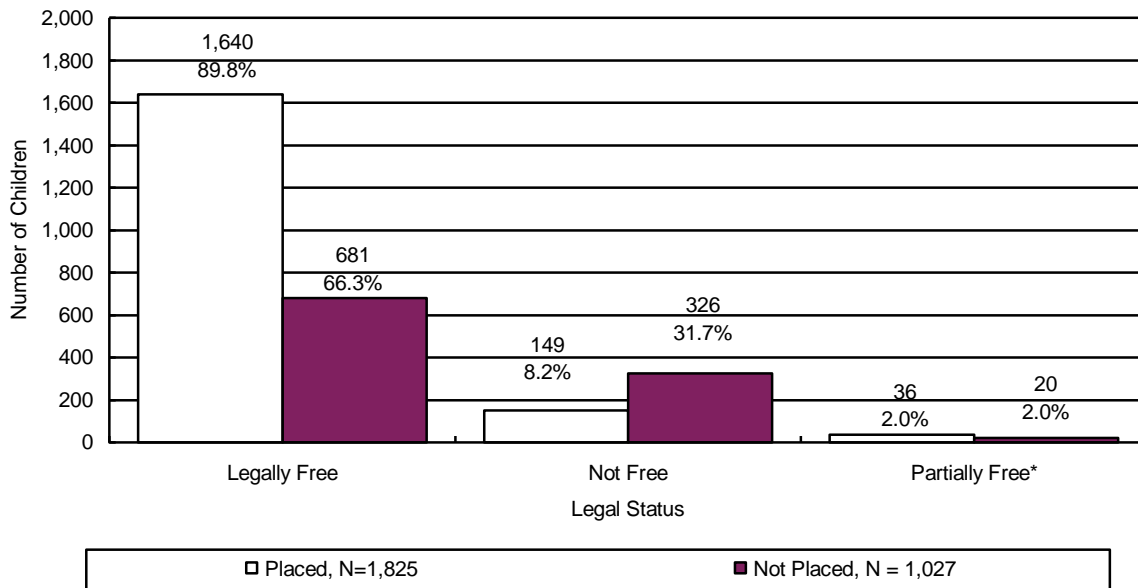




**CHART 37**  
**THE PLACEMENT AND NUMBER OF CHILDREN WITH A CASE PLAN GOAL OF ADOPTION BY ETHNICITY**

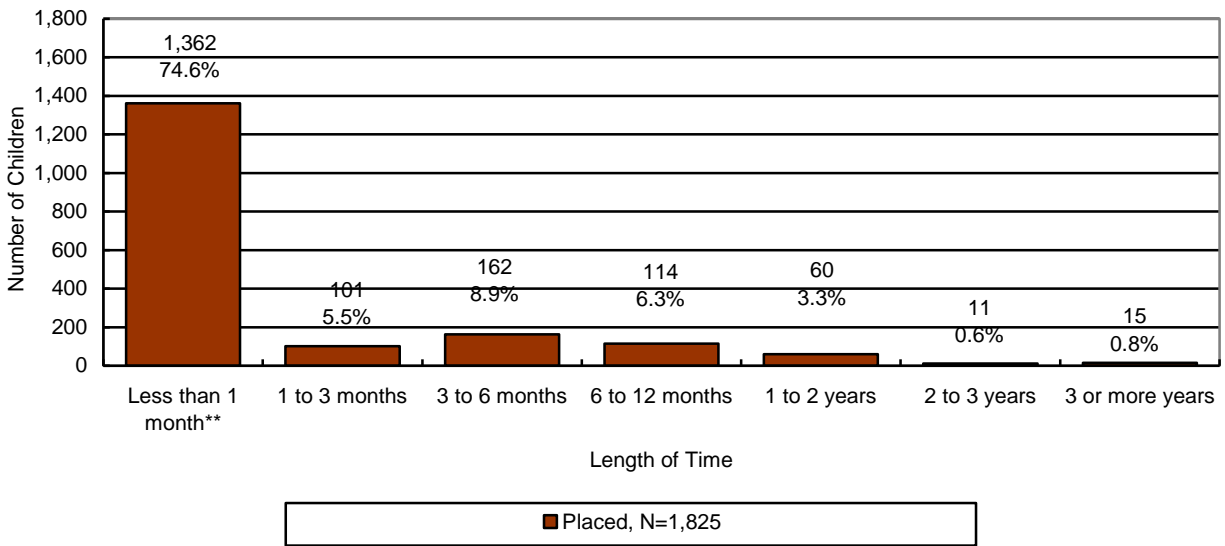


**CHART 38**  
**THE PLACEMENT AND NUMBER OF CHILDREN WITH A CASE PLAN GOAL OF ADOPTION BY LEGAL STATUS**



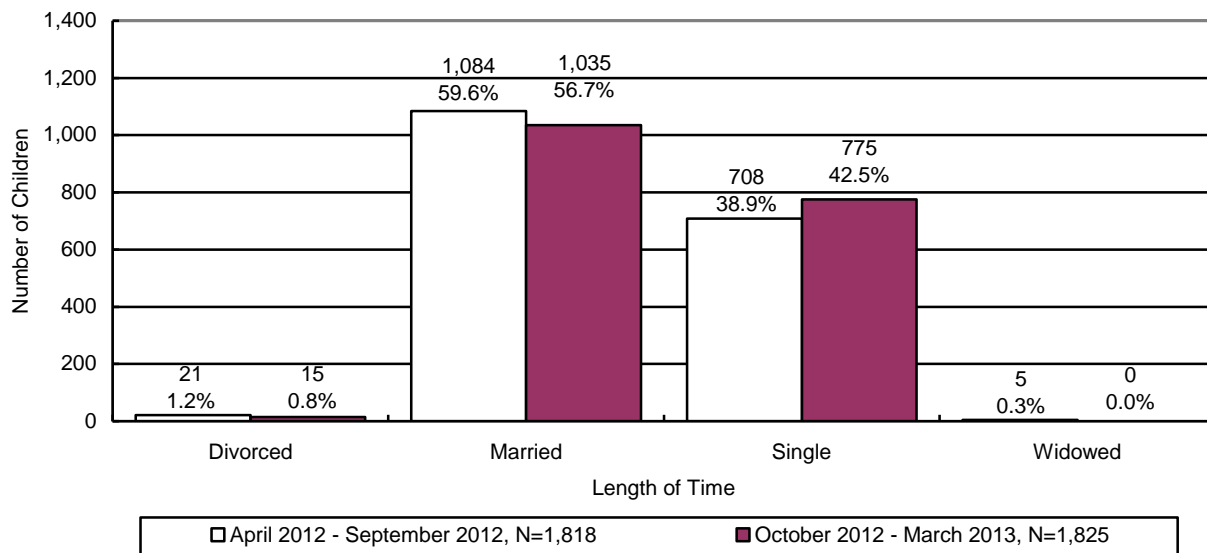
\*Partially free refers to a situation where only one of the parent's rights has been severed.

**CHART 39**  
**THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN WITH A CASE PLAN GOAL OF ADOPTION BY LENGTH OF TIME FROM CHANGE OF CASE PLAN GOAL OF ADOPTION TO ADOPTIVE PLACEMENT**

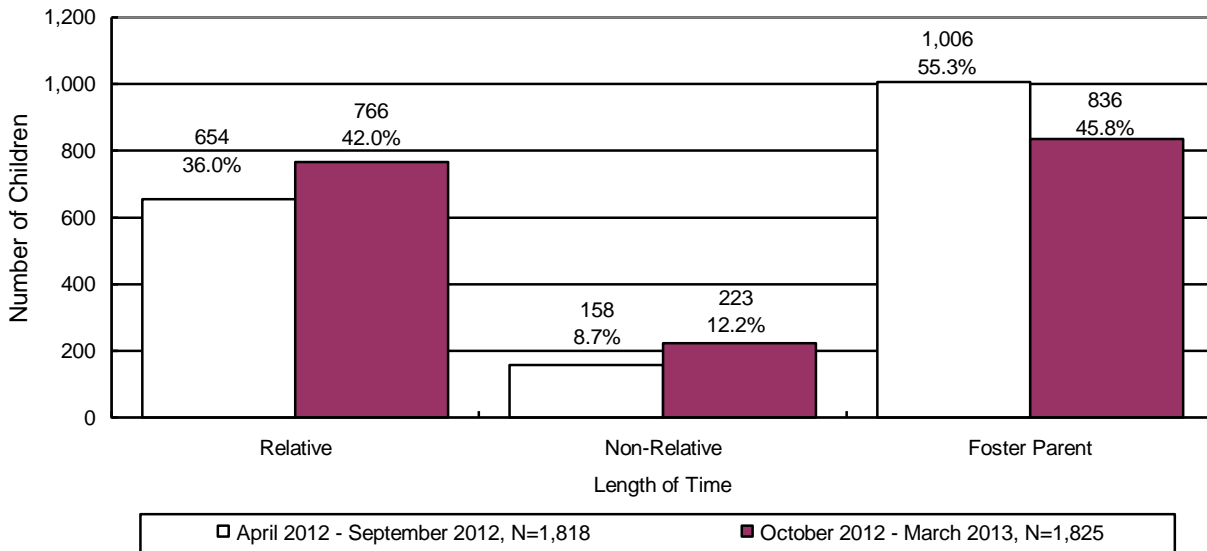


\*\*Approximately 70 percent of children are adopted by relatives or their foster parents and are already in their prospective adoptive placement at the time the case plan goal changes to adoption.

**CHART 40**  
**THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN WITH A CASE PLAN GOAL OF ADOPTION WHO WERE IN AN ADOPTIVE PLACEMENT BY THE MARITAL STATUS OF THE ADOPTIVE PARENT**



**CHART 41**  
**THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN WITH A CASE PLAN GOAL OF ADOPTION WHO WERE IN AN ADOPTIVE PLACEMENT BY THE RELATIONSHIP OF THE ADOPTIVE PARENT**

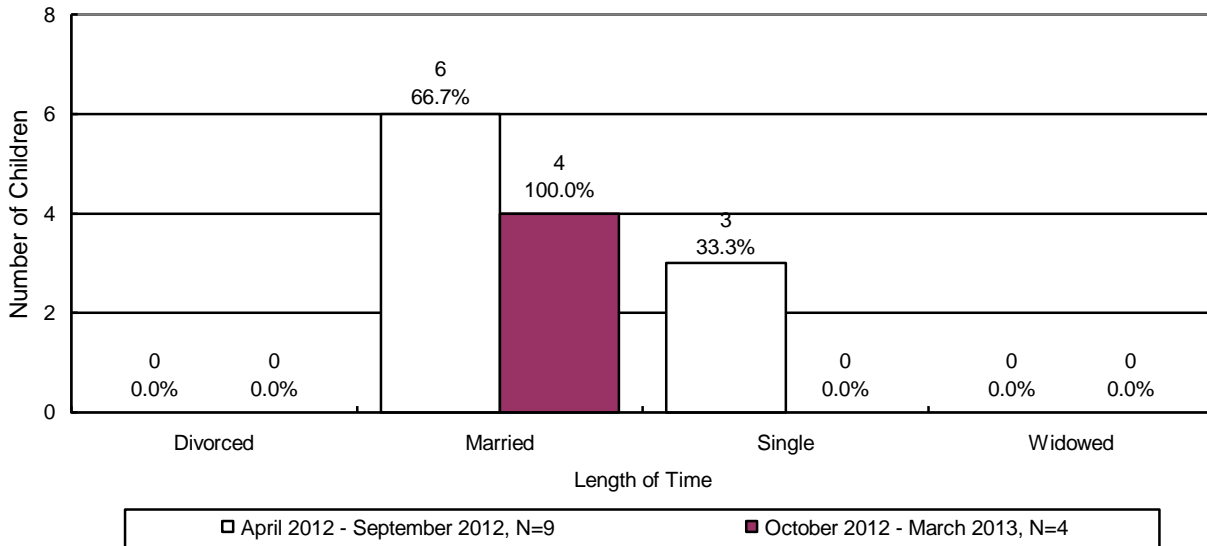


**DISRUPTIONS**

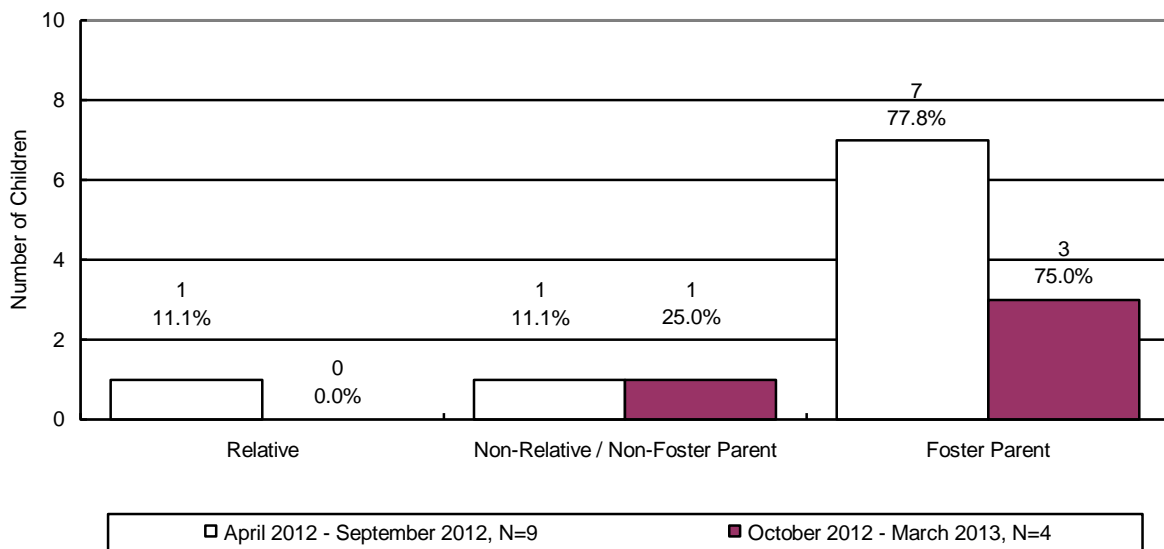
**TABLE 49**  
**THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN WITH A CASE PLAN GOAL OF ADOPTION WHO WERE IN AN ADOPTIVE PLACEMENT AND DISRUPTED BY AGE AND ETHNICITY**

By Age	Number	Percentage
Under 1	0	0.0%
Ages 1 – 5	1	25.0%
Ages 6 – 8	1	25.0%
Ages 9 – 12	0	0.0%
Ages 13 – 17	2	50.0%
18 and Over	0	0.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
Ethnicity	Number	Percentage
Caucasian	2	50.0%
Hispanic	2	50.0%
African American	0	0.0%
American Indian	0	0.0%
Asian	0	0.0%
Other	0	0.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

**CHART 42**  
**THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN WITH A CASE PLAN GOAL OF ADOPTION WHO WERE IN AN ADOPTIVE PLACEMENT AND DISRUPTED BY THE MARITAL STATUS OF THE ADOPTIVE PARENT**

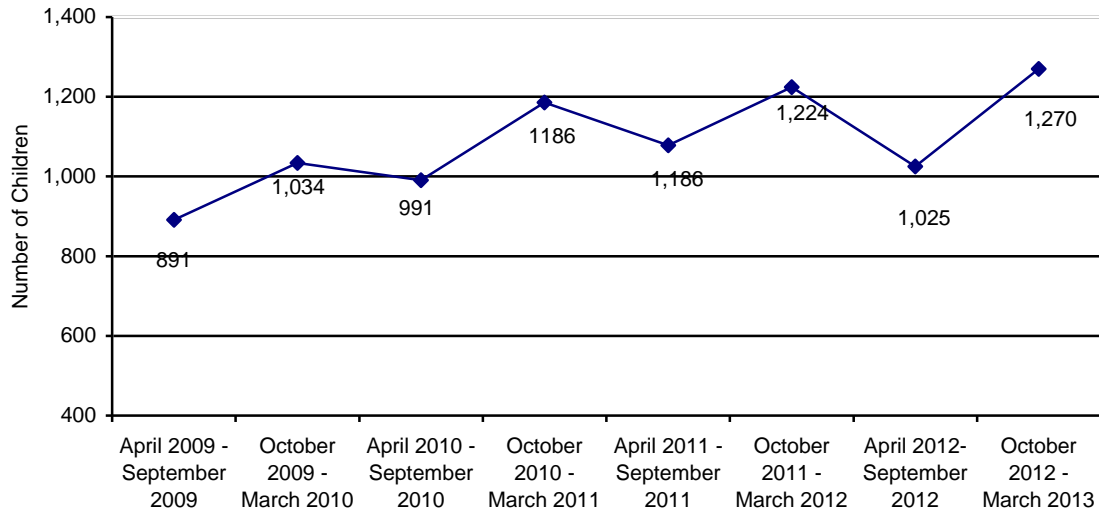


**CHART 43**  
**THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN WITH A CASE PLAN GOAL OF ADOPTION WHO WERE IN AN ADOPTIVE PLACEMENT AND DISRUPTED BY THE RELATIONSHIP OF THE ADOPTIVE PARENT**



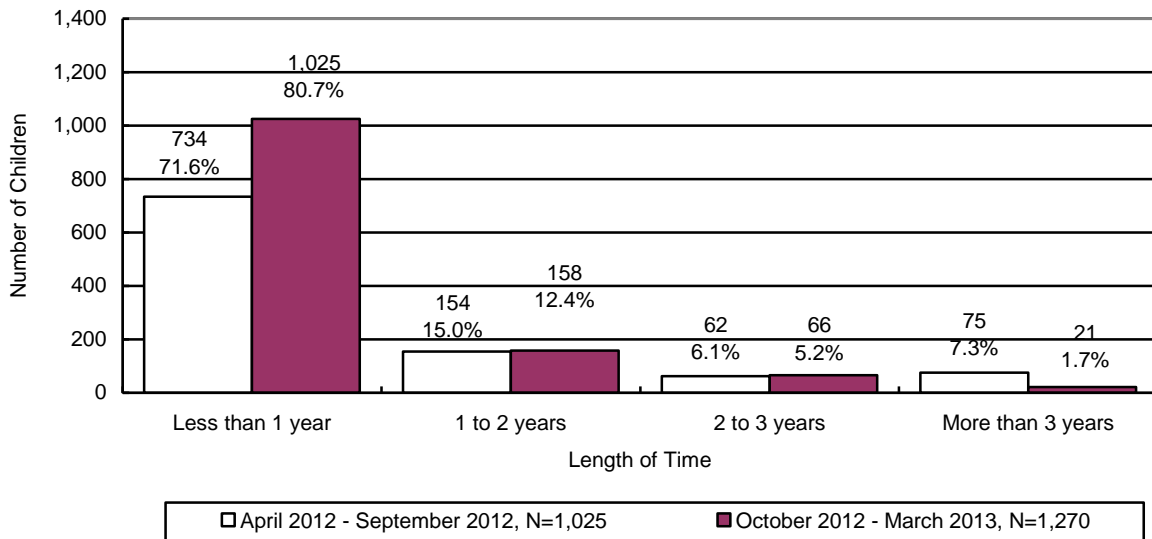
**ADOPTIVE SERVICES**

**CHART 44  
THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN WITH A FINALIZED ADOPTION**



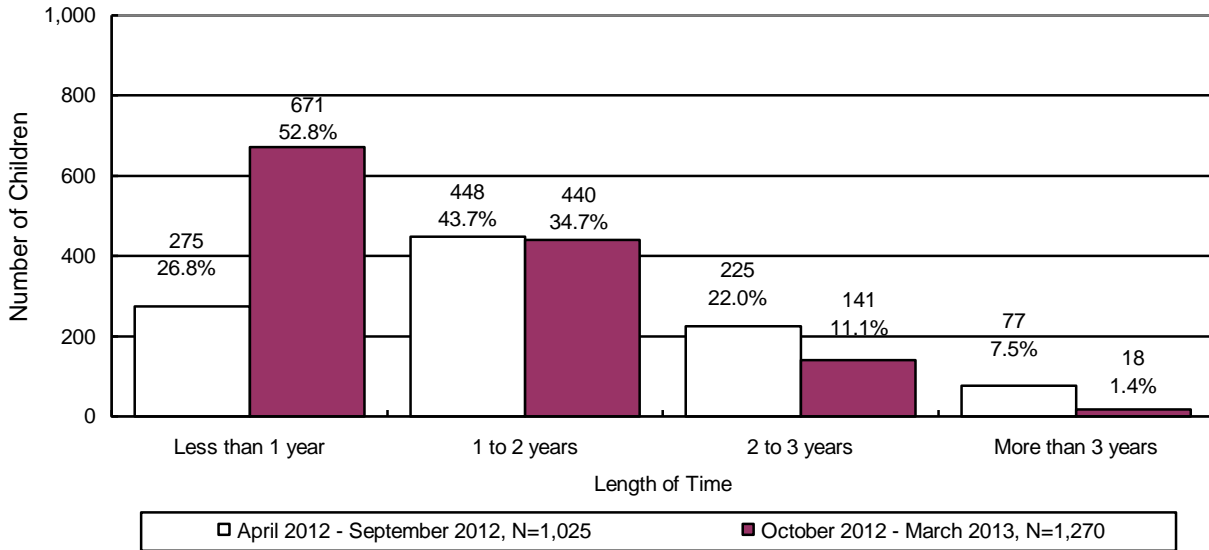
There were 1,270 children with a finalized adoption during the reporting period. Chart 45 displays the number of children with a finalized adoption during the reporting period by the average length of time in out-of-home placement before adoptive placement.

**CHART 45  
THE NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF CHILDREN WITH A FINALIZED ADOPTION BY AVERAGE LENGTH OF TIME IN OUT-OF-HOME PLACEMENT BEFORE ADOPTIVE PLACEMENT**

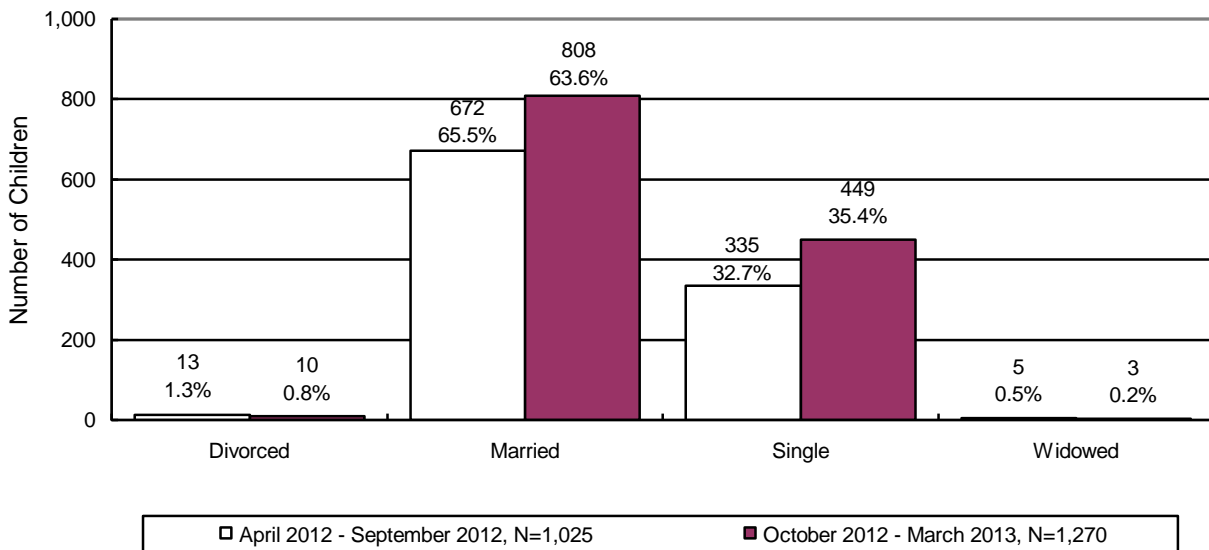


The chart below displays the number of children with a finalized adoption by average length of time in adoptive placement before the final order of adoption.

**CHART 46**  
**THE NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF CHILDREN WITH A FINALIZED ADOPTION BY AVERAGE LENGTH OF TIME IN ADOPTIVE PLACEMENT BEFORE THE FINAL ORDER OF ADOPTION**



**CHART 47**  
**THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN WITH A FINALIZED ADOPTION BY THE MARITAL STATUS OF THE ADOPTIVE PARENT**



**CHART 48**  
**THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN WITH A FINALIZED ADOPTION BY THE RELATIONSHIP**  
**OF THE ADOPTIVE PARENT TO THE CHILD**

